

AMENDED TO INCLUDE THE PY2020 CARES ACT FUNDS  
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# Harris County Community Services Department

## Program Year 2020 Annual Action Plan



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### **Executive Summary**

#### **AP-05 Executive Summary - 24 CFR 91.200(c), 91.220(b)**

##### **1. Introduction**

The Harris County Community Services Department (HCCSD) assists low-to-moderate income communities by providing and supporting community programs, facilities, and services through the distribution of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funding. Harris County will receive \$19,811,532 for use towards community development activities during Program Year 2020 (PY2020), which begins March 1, 2020, and ends February 28, 2021. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) determines this allocation amount based on Harris County's Service Area population, poverty, housing overcrowding, and age of housing. In order to receive these annual grant funds, Harris County must submit a five-year Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan to HUD for approval.

The 2019-2023 Consolidated Plan and PY2020 Annual Action Plan represent Harris County's vision for improving the quality of life in the low-and moderate-income areas of the county. It is a comprehensive plan addressing the County's housing, homelessness, and non-housing community development needs for the five-year period. The plan contains goals, performance outcome objectives, and implementation strategies for each of the plan's elements. The Annual Action Plan is a one-year plan that describes the activities that the county will fund, implement, and/or support the implementation of PY2020 projects using Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), and the HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) Grant funds, prior year funds and estimated program income. For PY2020 Harris County plans to fund thirty-seven (37) projects utilizing \$13,197,131 of conditionally awarded CDBG, HOME, ESG, prior year and program income funds, an additional three (3) projects using \$3,361,5900 to fund projects for administrative costs, and three (3) projects for un-programmed funding totaling \$4,452,810. All projects combined make a total of forty-three (43) projects utilizing \$21,040,232. HCCSD is required to submit a Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in order to receive funding for program years 2019-2023. This money is provided to Harris County in order to benefit low-and moderate-income persons, eliminate slum and blight, and provide for urgent needs within the County.

HCCSD received special allocations of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG-CV) and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG-CV) funds to prevent, prepare for, and respond to the coronavirus (COVID-19) through the CARES Act. The County received \$8,294,559 in CDBG-CV1 funds, \$10,022,525 in CDBG-CV3 funds, \$4,077,193 in ESG-CV1 funds, and \$7,999,883 in ESG-CV2 funds, for a total special funding award of \$30,394,160. For the CARES Act funds, HCCSD plans to fund twenty-one (21) projects utilizing \$29,186,453 of the awarded CDBG-CV1, CDBG-CV3, ESG-CV1, ESG-CV2, and \$1,174,700 of prior-year funds, for a total of \$30,901,153.01. PY2020 projects that are funded through the CARES Act funding begin with either CDBG-CV or ESG-CV, to signify the funding source. All projects combined make a total of twenty-one (21) projects utilizing \$29,186,453. HCCSD will utilize 20 percent (\$3,663,416) of the awarded CDBG-CV 1 and CDBG-CV3 to cover administrative costs and two administrative projects involving a COVID

19 strategic planning and COVID Housing Study. Ten percent (\$1,207,707) of the awarded ESG-CV1 and CV2 will be used to cover administrative costs.

## **2. Summarize the objectives and outcomes identified in the Plan**

This could be a restatement of items or a table listed elsewhere in the plan or a reference to another location. It may also contain any essential items from the housing and homeless needs assessment, the housing market analysis or the strategic plan.

Existing needs in Harris County are largely driven by continued difficulties in the housing market, limited opportunities in employment sectors, aging infrastructure, and shifting population trends, as noted in the Consolidated Plan's needs assessment. Many of these needs have increased due to multiple flooding events resulting in Presidential Disaster Declarations that occurred in 2015, 2016, and 2017. The most severe flooding event being the impacts of Hurricane Harvey in 2017. Harris County is also assessing the impacts of the Covid-19 Pandemic and resulting Presidential Disaster Declaration for ways to best assist the community.

The county's increasing population and location of residents are dependent upon a number of factors. These include but are not limited to a community's ability to provide quality infrastructures such as roads and bridges, satisfactory levels of basic public services and facilities, such as police, fire, public health, and emergency medical services, schools, and utilities. All of these affect the natural and built environments and affect the quality of life for residents and visitors.

Many communities within the Harris County service area lack the basic necessities for a suitable living environment. There continue to be significant deficits in affordable housing options, supportive services for special needs populations, available homeless facilities, education and job training opportunities, and necessary and/or modern infrastructure. Unfortunately, statistics regarding changes in the Harris County population potentially indicate that the need for community services and facilities is likely to continue to grow, again worsened by recent disasters and their impacts, while the ability to cover rising costs, especially those related to construction, may shrink. As seen in the Houston/Harris County Homeless Point in Time Count conducted in early 2018, there were approximately 4,143 homeless persons in the area. While the total had been on a downward trend since 2011, 2018 marked the first time it had increased (by approximately 500 persons) with speculation that displacement caused by Hurricane Harvey being a major factor. The 2019 Point in Time Count conducted in early 2019 counted 3,938 homeless people in the region. While this is a decrease from 2018, it is still higher than 2017 and unsheltered individuals were almost unchanged. In order to address these needs, Harris County through a collaborative planning process continues to develop goals and measurable objectives in coordination with community partners for implementation during the coming years of the PY2019-2023 Consolidated Plan in Housing; Homeless; Public Facilities; Economic Development; Infrastructure; and Public Services.

## **3. Evaluation of past performance**

This is an evaluation of past performance that helped lead the grantee to choose its goals or projects.

The Harris County Program Year 2018 (PY2018) Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) is the sixth and last year of the annual performance report which describes progress made in PY2018 from March 1, 2018, to February 28, 2019, towards the goals outlined in the Amended PY2013-2018 Consolidated Plan. Harris County extended its Consolidated Plan by one year to develop a Regional

Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing (AI) Plan. The amendment also includes revisions and an expansion of goals and objectives under the PY2013-2018 Consolidated Plan. During PY2018, Harris County expended \$13,075,909.00 in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships, and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Funds on over one-hundred (100) projects. Highlights of performance accomplishments according to specific need categories include:

#### Housing

- Assisted 24 households with direct homeownership assistance.
- Rehabilitated 32 owner-occupied housing units for the purpose of supplying decent and safe housing.
- Provided 44 households with Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA).
- Abated 21 lead-contaminated housing units occupied by low-income persons to assist in the control of lead-based paint hazards.
- Rehabilitated 49 renter-occupied permanent supportive housing units

#### Homelessness

- Assisted 9,253 homeless individuals and families with shelter and supportive services utilizing ESG funds.
- 589 homeless individuals were provided with supportive services utilizing CDBG funds.
- Collaborated with the Coalition for the Homeless to submit and renew FY2018 Continuum of Care projects.

#### Public Services

- Provided 1,166 seniors with Senior Services to enable them to increase or maintain quality of life and promote physical, mental, and social well-being.
- Provided 1,248 youth with Youth Services for the purpose of enriching, protecting, and improving quality of life.
- Provided Transportation services to 10,058 persons to increase mobility and access.
- Assisted 214 children with Abused and Neglected Children Services for the purpose of enabling a secure and stable environment.
- Provided 589 homeless or formerly homeless individuals with Health Services and Case Housing Stability Management.

#### Public Facilities and Infrastructure

- Completed 5 infrastructure improvement projects benefiting 14,510 low-to-moderate income persons
- Completed 4 public facilities projects benefiting 9,197 low-to-moderate income persons

#### Other

- Demolished and cleared 6 abandoned homes that contributed to slum and blight in the county.

#### **4. Summary of Citizen Participation Process and consultation process**

Summary from citizen participation section of plan.

The Citizen Participation Plan emphasizes the involvement of low-income residents, including non-English speaking persons, as well as persons with mobility, visual or hearing impairments. The plan outlines the process through which the public can access general information, receive technical assistance, provide comments on critical issues, and receive timely responses to questions raised. The County offers multiple opportunities for participation during the drafting of the Annual Action Plan (AAP) and Consolidated Plan,

as well as the Request for Proposal (RFP) Process. These opportunities include public hearings, public notices, website postings, social media posts, surveys, and emails to HCCSD's Interested Parties List.

During Harris County's PY2020 RFP process, all prospective applicants interested in applying for entitlement funds were notified of funding opportunities through the issuance of the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) released on May 15, 2019. The NOFA/RFP information was in English and Spanish, and placed on HCCSD's website, sent to interested parties via email, and displayed in HCCSD's office. The RFP was released on May 24, 2019. To ensure full participation in the RFP process, Harris County posted downloadable slides and audio in place of applicant conferences while also hold roundtable discussion sessions. Three roundtable discussion sessions were held on June 5, 2019, for CDBG General and Pre-Applications, CDBG Public Services, and ESG funds. HCCSD staff presented information on program guidelines, HUD regulations including fair housing and equal opportunity concerns, Section 3 and Davis Bacon, guidance on completing the application, and an overview of the evaluation process. Technical Assistance occurred from June 3 through June 14, 2019, prior to the June 24, 2019, RFP submission deadline, for applicants that needed additional assistance with their proposal. HCCSD received thirty-two (32) competitive proposals in response to the competitive RFP process for PY2020 CDBG Public Service, CDBG General, and ESG funds and ten (10) pre-awarded applications selected from the PY2020-2023 pre-application process performed in the PY2019 RFP. The proposals represented possible projects for the second year of the PY2019-2023 Consolidated Plan. The Draft PY2020 AAP/PY2020 AAP public notice of selected CDBG, HOME, and ESG projects (as well as in-house projects) were published for public comment on November 15, 2019. Included 30-day public review period, comments/suggestions were recorded. On December 5, 2019, and December 17, 2019, at 10:00 am, public hearings were held. Harris County residents had the opportunity to voice their opinions on selected PY2020 projects/the Draft PY2020 AAP. Interested parties/the public could view the Draft PY2020 AAP posted on HCCSD's website and submit comments via phone, written letter, email, or in person. All comments recorded during the public review period and public hearings are logged and, if applicable, added to the draft Annual Action Plan. No comments regarding the PY2020 AAP were received during the comment period.

Beginning on April 7, 2020, and ending on October 8, 2020, Harris County engaged in standing COVID-19 Meetings on Thursdays at 10:00 am that included neighboring government jurisdictions, CBOs, FBOs, and other community stakeholders to organize, prioritize, and allocating COVID-19 funding to prepare, prevent and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. On June 23, 2020, Harris County engaged in Outreach regarding COVID-19 by sending out a Needs Assessment Survey to community-based organizations representing all populations of Harris County as well as private organizations, residents, and as many community stakeholders as possible to assess the impact of COVID-19 and where to best focus monetary assistance. This outreach resulted in recommendations for types of programs and services to be provided through the CARES Act funding.

## **5. Summary of public comments**

This could be a brief narrative summary or reference an attached document from the Citizen Participation section of the Con Plan.

No public comments were received during the public comment period. Comments could be submitted to HCCSD by phone, email, written letter, or in-person by visiting the HCCSD office at 8410 Lantern Point, Houston, Texas 77054 or the HCCSD website Annual Action Plan page (<https://csd.harriscountytexas.gov/Pages/AnnualActionPlan.aspx>) during the public comment period to review the Draft PY2020 Annual Action Plan. The public could offer comments by attending public

hearings held at HCCSD's office on December 5, 2019, at 10 am or on December 17, 2019, at the Harris County Commissioners Court Meeting at 1001 Preston, 9th floor, Houston, Texas 77002.

**6. Summary of comments or views not accepted and the reasons for not accepting them**

No public comments or views were received during the public comment period for the PY2020 Annual Action Plan; therefore, no comments or views have been rejected.

**7. Summary**

The PY2019-2023 Consolidated Plan and the PY2020 Annual Action Plan represent Harris County's vision for improving the quality of life in the low- and moderate-income areas of the county. The PY2020 Annual Action Plan is based on the Consolidated Plan's elements that identify housing, homelessness, community, and economic development needs, available resources, and establishes a strategic plan for meeting those needs. In its completed form, the Consolidated Plan aids decision-makers in creating strategies and documents like the PY2020 Annual Action Plan that address such issues as adequate streets, water, sewage, and drainage systems, proper and useful education and employment, parks, and green spaces, community facilities, quality health care, and safe, peaceful, productive neighborhoods to persons living in low-income communities. The completed Consolidated Plan guides the county's distribution of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funds for each Annual Action Plan over all five years from the beginning of PY2019 on March 1, 2019, to the end of PY2023 on February 29, 2024.

## PR-05 Lead & Responsible Agencies – 91.200(b)

### 1. Agency/entity responsible for preparing/administering the Consolidated Plan

Describe the agency/entity responsible for preparing the Consolidated Plan and those responsible for administration of each grant program and funding source.

Agency Role	Name	Department/Agency
Lead Agency	HARRIS COUNTY	
CDBG Administrator	HARRIS COUNTY	Harris County Community Services Department
HOPWA Administrator		
HOME Administrator	HARRIS COUNTY	Harris County Community Services Department
ESG Administrator	HARRIS COUNTY	Harris County Community Services Department
HOPWA-C Administrator		

**Table 1 – Responsible Agencies**

### Narrative (optional)

The Lead Agency for preparing the Consolidated Plan is the Harris County Community Services Department (HCCSD). The department is responsible for the administration of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) and HOME Investment Partnership (HOME) grant programs and preparation of federal reports.

The PY2019-2023 Consolidated Plan and PY2020 Annual Action Plan contain plan elements that will address long-term goals and objectives for improving the quality of life for low and moderate-income residents and communities within Harris County. The plan describes the activities the County will fund, implement, and/or support using its annual federal allocation of CDBG, HOME and ESG funds. It provides useful information about current conditions within the county, identifies its strengths and weaknesses on community development issues and the actions taken to address identified conditions and concerns.

### **Consolidated Plan Public Contact Information**

For questions regarding the PY2019-2023 Consolidated Plan, contact the Harris County Community Services Department (HCCSD) Planning and Development Section by phone at (832) 927-4700, by email at [plancomments@csd.hctx.net](mailto:plancomments@csd.hctx.net) or submit your comments in writing to Attn: Development Manager at Harris County Community Services Department, 8410 Lantern Point Drive, Houston, Texas 77054. HCCSD office hours are Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.



## **AP-10 Consultation – 91.100, 91.200(b), 91.215(l)**

### **1. Introduction**

Harris County is committed to obtaining input from citizens, professionals, community stakeholders, non-profits, and other governmental entities. Input from these groups is of the utmost importance not only during the development of community plans but as a part of the Consolidated and Annual Action Plan process itself. Effectively planning for a community would be difficult, if not impossible, without the support of its residents, especially low-income citizens directly affected by community development projects and programs. It is for these reasons that citizen participation is strongly encouraged throughout the processes of community revitalization planning, disaster recovery planning efforts, short and long-range departmental planning, plan implementation, and assessment of plan effectiveness.

HCCSD met with stakeholders, providers, and advocacy groups to discuss the best use for the CDBG-CV and ESG-CV funding. Projects were developed from these meetings, and were published for 5 days per the CARES Act. Projects were then submitted to Commissioners Court for approval.

### **Provide a concise summary of the jurisdiction's activities to enhance coordination between public and assisted housing providers and private and governmental health, mental health and service agencies (91.215(l))**

Harris County completed extensive consultation with residents and local housing, health, mental health, disability, and service agencies as it developed the PY2019-2023 Consolidated Plan and Regional AFH. Through these consultations, the county continues working on several coalitions such as the local initiatives to end homelessness and the CoC's The Way Home Initiative that involves the local housing authorities, HCCSD's Social Services Department, the Harris Center for Mental Health and IDD (formerly MHMRA of Harris County), Veterans Administration, local governments, local housing providers and numerous service providers; working with the Center for Independent Living and other partners to build advocacy for Barrier-Free housing; and partnering with the local MPO, Fair Housing organizations, housing authorities, service, and housing providers and other government organizations to develop a regional Fair Housing Assessment. This is in addition to providing input and consultation on local plans such as the completed Regional Transportation Plan for submission to the Federal and State Departments of Transportation and the City of Houston's Consolidated Plan/Action Plan and Disaster Recovery Funding Method of Distribution.

Harris County has continued consultation with numerous public, private and non-profit agencies to improve the coordination of services and activities. Agencies consulted included local governments, organizations within our target areas, cooperative cities, community development organizations, housing providers, non-profit organizations, civic clubs, management districts, economic development groups, local businesses, education entities, homeless service providers, and health care providers. Harris County Community Services Department performed the consultation through the use of meetings with large groups, smaller focus groups, one-on-one meetings, and phone interviews. At least one meeting was held in each of Harris County's precincts. Additional consultation was achieved with a survey distributed by email, posted on the county's website for digital submission, offered at public outreach events, and sent to county precinct and housing authority staff. The relationships between the various community partners and feedback received from meetings and surveys assisted with the identification of community needs and issues throughout the County. Once identified, this information assisted with the creation of coordinated goals and strategies focused on the needs of low and moderate-income individuals.

Harris County also coordinates with the Cities of Houston, Baytown, Pasadena, Fort Bend County, The Harris Center for Mental Health and IDD, local Worksource, local Housing Authorities, and numerous service/housing providers on the Continuum of Care Steering Committee. This committee meets monthly in a public meeting to discuss strategies to end homelessness in the region. HCCSD, through its Housing and Community Resource Center (HCRC), works with local landlords to discuss needs for housing, provides information on fair housing, identifies vacant affordable housing units, and holds housing fairs for low-income and homeless households. The county also works with the Harris County Housing Authority to assist Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) families with homeownership activities and the Houston Housing Authority with case management services for formerly chronically homeless families in the HCV (Section 8) program.

During stakeholder meetings regarding the CARES Act funding, HCCSD met with the Coalition for the Homeless and other mental health and social service agencies.

**Describe coordination with the Continuum of Care and efforts to address the needs of homeless persons (particularly chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans, and unaccompanied youth) and persons at risk of homelessness.**

The Coalition for the Homeless of Houston/Harris County serves as the lead agency for the Houston/Pasadena/Harris County/Fort Bend County/Montgomery County Continuum of Care structure. Since its inception, Harris County has served in a leadership role guiding the policies and funding for homelessness priorities for the Continuum of Care. Harris County is a member of the CoC steering committee. As one of 14 members representing public and private interests, the steering committee uses recommendations from the network and tasks groups to guide policy development for the CoC, including funding and project prioritization. This structure allows for diverse stakeholders to participate in the decision-making process for funding while providing a transparent leadership around homelessness funding and priorities for the region. This structure was also put in place to provide a more coordinated response to homelessness where all funding in the region is targeted toward strategic solutions working to end homelessness in the region.

In 2014, the local CoC became known as The Way Home CoC in order to reflect the community's collaborative model for preventing and ending homelessness (The Way Home). Goals of The Way Home include building a system in which no one has to be homeless for more than 30 days and ending family homelessness by 2020. To meet these goals, the community has expanded its Rapid Re-Housing system by aligning funds, through the formation of the Rapid Re-Housing Funders Collaborative (which includes Harris County and other entitlement communities within The Way Home CoC), and standardizing service delivery, through the separation of service components into Financial Assistance and Housing Stabilization Case Management (overseen by two intermediaries). Efforts are also being made to increase available funds within the Rapid Re-Housing system that will be dedicated towards ending youth homelessness and families that are homeless, especially those with children.

With the community's announcement in June 2015 that it has effectively ended Veteran homelessness, Harris County continues to be involved in maintenance of efforts. The County currently has a Veterans Assistance Program which provides financial and utility assistance services through its Veterans Services Office and Social Services Office. The County has been fortunate to receive a grant from the Texas Veterans Commission that allows it to provide services that include one-time emergency rental assistance and utility assistance for Veteran households.

Harris County also works to assist chronically homeless persons by funding projects administered by HCCSD's Office of Social Services, SEARCH and participation in The Way Home CoC. These activities provide case managers to assist chronically homeless with housing stability case management services. Case managers work to obtain all benefits and income a household may be eligible to receive. Households assisted also receive a housing choice voucher in partnership with the Houston Housing Authority to provide rental assistance and perform housing unit inspections.

During stakeholder meetings regarding the CARES Act funding, HCCSD met with the Coalition for the Homeless and other mental health and social service agencies.

**Describe consultation with the Continuum(s) of Care that serves the jurisdiction's area in determining how to allocate ESG funds, develop performance standards for and evaluate outcomes of projects and activities assisted by ESG funds, and develop funding, policies and procedures for the operation and administration of HMIS**

Harris County regularly consults with the Coalition for the Homeless of Houston/Harris County, the lead agency for the Houston/Pasadena/Harris County/Fort Bend County/Montgomery County Continuum of Care (CoC) structure. Through consultation efforts with the Coalition and other CoC members, Harris County aligned the priorities of the County's homeless strategies with the Continuum-wide priorities for homelessness. The Coalition is a recipient of Harris County's ESG funds for the operation and staffing of the HMIS as they are the system administrator. The Coalition also assists in evaluation of projects requesting ESG funds by providing input on the quality and timeliness of an applicant's HMIS data entry. The CoC members, including Harris County, meet regularly to discuss strategies, available resources and develop standards for homeless programs and local standards/benchmarks. Entitlement communities within the CoC formed the Rapid Re-Housing Funders Collaborative which supports the community's Rapid Re-Housing system. As a member of the Collaborative, Harris County dedicates ESG funds to be utilized for rapid re-housing services. Members of the CoC also meet to establish and update coordinated ESG Standards as reflected in Harris County's ESG Written Standards.

**2. Describe Agencies, groups, organizations and others who participated in the process and describe the jurisdiction's consultations with housing, social service agencies and other entities**

**Table 2 – Agencies, groups, organizations who participated**

1	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	COALITION FOR THE HOMELESS OF HOUSTON/HARRIS COUNTY
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services - Housing Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services-homeless Planning organization
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Harris County attends meetings and work groups to address needs of the homeless and implement the Coordinated Access System. The Coalition provides input on the HMIS data quality and performance of applicants. HCCSD requested the organization review and comment on a draft of the Annual Action Plan.
2	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	HARRIS COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Housing PHA
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	HCHA staff is consulted regarding the placement of Low-Income Tax Credit developments, ensuring consistency with the Consolidated Plan, the Housing Choice Voucher Program and community housing needs. HCCSD requested the organization review and comment on a draft of the Annual Action Plan.
3	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	HARRIS COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Health Health Agency Other government - County

	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Lead-based Paint Strategy Neighborhood Nuisance Abatement
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Public Health (formerly Public Health and Environmental Services) provides Harris County with Lead-based Paint information and data. The county provides the department with CDBG funding for lead-based paint abatement efforts and neighborhood nuisance abatement to improve area safety and remove blighted structures. HCCSD has also worked with PH staff to collect data on the built environment, fair housing concerns, surveys for community health impact assessments and feedback on proposed distribution of disaster funding. Organization was asked to review and comment on a draft of the Annual Action Plan.
4	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	HOUSTON AREA URBAN LEAGUE
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services - Housing Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-Employment Service-Fair Housing
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Staff has consulted with HAUL representatives to discuss fair housing issues, training and outreach events and feedback on planning efforts. HCCSD requested the organization review and comment on a draft of the Annual Action Plan.
5	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	HEALTHCARE FOR THE HOMELESS
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-homeless Services-Health
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy

	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Consultation through review of data, CoC steering committee and meetings as well as feedback on funded projects with the organization. Anticipated outcome is improved services to homeless persons. HCCSD requested the organization review and comment on a draft of the Annual Action Plan and Consolidated Plan.
6	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	AIDS Foundation Houston (AFH)
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Persons with HIV/AIDS Services-homeless Services-Health
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Organization was contacted to provide data regarding the individuals living with AIDS and/or HIV within the county. HCCSD requested the organization review and comment on a draft of the Annual Action Plan and Consolidated Plan.
7	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	SEARCH Homeless Services
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services - Housing Services-homeless Services-Education Services-Employment
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Consultation through review homeless and case management data, CoC steering committee and meetings as well as feedback on funded projects with the organization. Anticipated outcome is improved services to homeless persons and improvements to system efficiency. HCCSD requested the organization review and comment on a draft of the Annual Action Plan and Consolidated Plan.

8	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Baker Ripley
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Children Services-Elderly Services-Health Services-Education Services-Employment Neighborhood Organization Persons
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	BakerRipley (Formerly Neighborhood Centers, Inc.) was consulted regarding community efforts to provide education, employment and community activities to low-income youth, seniors and low-income residents. The organization was funded during PY2017 to provide disaster case management services, assisted the county with Hurricane Harvey shelter efforts and participates in community recovery efforts through case management services.
9	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	YWCA Houston
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Children Services-Elderly Persons Services-Education
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Non-Homeless Special Needs
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	The YWCA provides information regarding their home delivered and congregate meal program for seniors and program for housing young women that have aged-out of foster care.
10	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Lone Star Legal Aid
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Service-Fair Housing
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment

	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Lone Star Legal Aid was consulted regarding fair housing concerns; relevant issues faced by those with a fair housing complaint and attended disaster recovery public outreach events throughout the county. They also provided data and feedback to inquiries on the types of complaints they are assisting within the county. Lone Star Legal Aid also provided comments on proposed disaster recovery efforts.
11	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Houston Housing Authority
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Housing PHA
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	HHA staff is consulted regularly through meetings and email to provide information on resources and strategies for housing homeless, coordination of activities and other housing needs by low-to-moderate income households within the county. HCCSD requested the organization review and comment on a draft of the Annual Action Plan.
12	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	COALITION FOR BARRIER FREE LIVING HOUSTON CENTER
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Persons with Disabilities Service-Fair Housing
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	HCCSD requested the organization review and comment on a draft of the Annual Action Plan, provide data regarding fair housing issues for persons with disabilities, participate in surveys and held a focus group with Harris County staff.



13	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	NAACP
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Education Service-Fair Housing Civic Leaders
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	NAACP Housing Committee provided input on current fair housing concerns in the community and issues faced after multiple disasters and attended meetings. HCCSD requested the organization review and comment on a draft of the Annual Action Plan.
14	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	AIRLINE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Other government - Local Business and Civic Leaders Neighborhood Organization
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	The district provided feedback on revitalization efforts, community impact from disasters and projects funded by Harris County within their boundaries. Consultation aids coordination on future projects and serves as a model for others areas in the county facing similar difficulties.
15	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Houston-Galveston Area Council
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Housing Services-Education Services-Employment Service-Fair Housing Regional organization Planning organization
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis Economic Development Anti-poverty Strategy

	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	HCCSD participated in the Sustainable Communities Grant from HUD, Fair Housing Equity Assessment, opportunity mapping, transportation needs, GIS data coordination, and regional environmental issues. HCCSD requested H-GAC staff review and comment on a draft of the Annual Action Plan. Outcomes expected are improved coordination and administration of services throughout the county.
16	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	THE CHILDREN'S ASSESSMENT CENTER FOUNDATION
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Children Services-Victims of Domestic Violence Services - Victims Health Agency
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Non-Homeless Special Needs
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	The CAC provides data on their services and children served as well as feedback on their Harris County funded project. Data was also collected from annual reports and the organization's website. Anticipated outcome is improved coordination in providing services to abused/neglected children throughout Harris County. HCCSD contact CAC regarding funding availability and application submission requirements to be eligible for funding to support their population.
17	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	MENTAL HEALTH, MENTAL RETARDATION AUTHORITY OF HARRIS COUNTY
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Persons with Disabilities Services-homeless Services-Health Health Agency Publicly Funded Institution/System of Care
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs

	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Renamed as The Harris Center for Mental Health and IDD, the agency was consulted about facility needs and methods to improve and create more resilient services throughout the county and participate in surveys. HCCSD requested the organization review and comment on a draft of the Annual Action Plan and participate in planning and funding opportunities.
18	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Harris Health System
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Services-Health Health Agency Publicly Funded Institution/System of Care
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	HCCSD collected information on healthcare needs for homeless and community needs for services to low-income residents throughout the county that are served by Harris Health clinics. HCCSD requested the organization review and comment on a draft of the Annual Action Plan.
19	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	HARRIS COUNTY PROTECTIVE SERVICES FOR CHILDREN & ADULTS
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Child Welfare Agency Publicly Funded Institution/System of Care Adult Welfare Agency
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Non-Homeless Special Needs
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Review of data and correspondence with staff regarding continuing community needs related to youth and special needs populations in the county. HCCSD requested the organization review and comment on a draft of the Annual Action Plan.
20	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	CITY OF HOUSTON
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Other government - Local Major Employer

	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Homeless Needs - Chronically homeless Homeless Needs - Families with children Homelessness Needs - Veterans Homelessness Needs - Unaccompanied youth Homelessness Strategy Non-Homeless Special Needs HOPWA Strategy Anti-poverty Strategy
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Harris County coordinates homeless strategy and funding priorities (entitlement and disaster recovery) with the City of Houston. Harris County also advises the City on their HOPWA Strategy and has worked with the City on joint permanent supportive housing projects. County staff attends numerous meetings, conference calls and conducts email exchanges with City of Houston staff on many issues of joint interest. Consultation results in better service to residents, coordinated funding efforts, and better awareness of each entities efforts, projects and available resources.
21	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	City of Pasadena, Texas
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Other government - Local
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Homelessness Strategy
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Harris County coordinates efforts with city staff regarding homeless strategy, transportation options, and fair housing efforts within the city. The city is also part of disaster recovery efforts and included in the Method of Distribution for multiple years of disaster recovery funding.
22	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Housing Other government - State
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Correspondence regarding housing market, HTC data, and the annual QAP for the HTC process. Staff also attends training opportunities offered by TDHCA and coordinates to develop tax credit supported, affordable housing projects.

23	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	TEXAS GENERAL LAND OFFICE
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Housing Other government - State Non-Housing Infrastructure
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Market Analysis Disaster Recovery
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	Harris County continues to work with the General Land Office regarding disaster recovery efforts and funding related to 2015, 2016 and 2017 Hurricane Harvey flooding events. Funding is utilized for disaster recovery projects and to reduce the burden on entitlement funding resources.
24	<b>Agency/Group/Organization</b>	Housing and Urban Development - Houston Field Office
	<b>Agency/Group/Organization Type</b>	Housing Services - Victims Other government - Federal
	<b>What section of the Plan was addressed by Consultation?</b>	Housing Need Assessment Non-Homeless Special Needs Market Analysis
	<b>Briefly describe how the Agency/Group/Organization was consulted. What are the anticipated outcomes of the consultation or areas for improved coordination?</b>	FHEO Office consultation to discuss data and complaints for better understanding of fair housing issues. Staff also attended fair housing and community planning and development events coordinated by HUD FHEO/CPD Houston Office.

#### **Identify any Agency Types not consulted and provide rationale for not consulting**

Harris County has contacted numerous agencies and organizations through e-mail, phone calls, meetings, surveys, and postings to social media and HCCSD's website to solicit their input and participation in the planning process for both the PY2019-2023 Consolidated Plan and PY2020 Annual Action Plan. Harris County thinks that all critical agency types were notified/consulted and provided an opportunity for comment during the public participation and consultation process in development of the PY2020 Annual Action Plan and PY2019-2023 Consolidated Plan.

## Other local/regional/state/federal planning efforts considered when preparing the Plan

Name of Plan	Lead Organization	How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?
Continuum of Care	Coalition for Homeless of Houston/Harris County	Harris County aligned the priorities of the county's homeless strategies with the Continuum-wide priorities for homelessness and participates in The Way Home collaborative model to prevent and end homelessness.
Regional Transportation Plan	Houston-Galveston Area Council	The goals of Harris County's Strategic Plan overlap with the Regional Transportation Plan by improving transit services particularly to under-served and low-income communities
Fair Housing Equity Assessment	Houston-Galveston Area Council	Harris County's goals and the FHEA both work to further fair housing in the region through activities supported by disaster recovery, entitlement and other funding sources.
Regional Plan for Sustainable Development	Houston-Galveston Area Council	The goals of Harris County's Strategic Plan overlaps with the RPSD by improving the quality of life for county residents. The goals of both plans include increasing the availability affordable housing, improving social equity and improving the region's economic competitiveness balanced with environmental concerns, potential impacts and conservation.
Regional Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing	Harris County	The goals of Harris County's Strategic Plan work to address the impediments identified in the analysis and overcome them through selected projects and funding.
Social Equity Profile	Houston-Galveston Area Council	Harris County's goals and the Equity Profile overlap to further social equity with economic, education and quality of life improvements to low-income residents.
City of Houston Consolidated Plan	City of Houston	Harris County and the City of Houston have many overlapping goals to address homelessness, provide affordable housing and improve the quality of life to under-served and low-income communities.
PHA Plan	Harris County Housing Authority	Harris County's Strategic Plan and the PHA Plan goals include increasing the availability and supply of affordable housing, improving the quality of life for residents, promoting economic improvements/vitality, promoting self-sufficiency and asset development of low-income families and affirmatively furthering fair housing throughout the county.
Healthy Living Matters	Harris County Public Health	Public Health and HCCSD both have goals to improve under-served and low-income resident's health, such as reducing childhood obesity through collaborative efforts to create a better environment and access to health services.
2015 CDBG-DR Method of Distribution	Harris County CSD	The State of Texas Annual Action Plan and the Method of Distribution both work to identify needs in the county through consultation and feedback to provide benefits to low-to-moderate income residents impacted by the providentially declared disaster.

<b>Name of Plan</b>	<b>Lead Organization</b>	<b>How do the goals of your Strategic Plan overlap with the goals of each plan?</b>
2016 CDBG-DR Method of Distribution	Harris County CSD	The State of Texas Annual Action Plan and the Method of Distribution both work to identify needs in the county through consultation and feedback to provide benefits to low-to-moderate income residents impacted by the providentially declared disaster.
2017 CDBG-DR Method of Distribution	Harris County CSD	The State of Texas Annual Action Plan, Harris County's Supplemental Action Plan and the Method of Distribution both work to identify needs in the county through consultation and feedback to provide benefits to low-to-moderate income residents impacted by the providentially declared disaster (Hurricane Harvey).
Annual Qualified Allocation Plan	Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs	Harris County's multi-family affordable housing goals overlap with the QAP as it guides the annual allocation Low Income Housing Tax Credits which are a major source of funding for affordable multi-family housing projects in the county that often seek Harris County HOME funding.

**Table 3 – Other local / regional / federal planning efforts**

### **Narrative (optional)**

Regional collaboration and coordination is facilitated by the Houston-Galveston Area Council (H-GAC) which covers a thirteen county region of southeast Texas and includes Harris County. The county works with H-GAC and surrounding counties and communities on transportation, population growth, sustainability, water quality, environmental sustainability, disaster recovery and many other issues.

Harris County actively works with the Houston/Harris County/Ft. Bend/Montgomery County Continuum of Care (CoC) to improve coordination and quality of services to the area's homeless population. Members of the Continuum of Care developed a process for providing Certifications of Consistency for agencies seeking funding through the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) to ensure that state funds are aligned with local priorities.

## **AP-12 Participation – 91.105, 91.200(c)**

### **1. Summary of citizen participation process/Efforts made to broaden citizen participation Summarize citizen participation process and how it impacted goal-setting**

The Citizen Participation Process for the development of the PY2020 Annual Action Plan utilizes elements from Harris County's PY2019-2023 Consolidated Plan Citizen Participation Plan and process which includes public notices, public hearings, mailings, website postings, social media outreach, and community/organization meeting attendance by staff and email notifications to interested parties registered with HCCSD.

The primary goal of the Citizen Participation Plan is to provide all citizens of the community with adequate opportunity to participate in an advisory role in the planning, implementation, and assessment of the Consolidated Plan and Annual Action Plans. The Citizen Participation Plan details the proposed use of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME), Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) and other funding sources.

The Citizen Participation Plan also sets forth policies and procedures for citizen participation, which are designed to engage and maximize the opportunity for citizen participation in the community development process. Special emphasis has been placed on encouraging participation by persons of low-income, residents in target areas, residents in affordable housing developments, and residents of areas where community development funds are utilized. Additionally, emphasis was placed on encouraging participation from local housing authorities, residents of subsidized housing, non-English speaking persons, minorities, and persons with disabilities or special needs. Participation was also solicited from county residents who live in blighted/and or identified low-to-moderate income neighborhoods to participate in the planning effort.

During 2017-2018, Harris County conducted over twenty (20) community outreach meetings, conducted three (3) surveys for community input and attended twelve (12) community events distributing information and discussing the public's needs and priorities for their communities. This information along with extensive research informed the county's goals and objectives in the Consolidated Plan.

HCCSD held stakeholder meetings regarding the CARES Act funding; this meeting helped to inform HCCSD on types of projects to be funded un the CARES Act funds. Selected projects were published according to CARES Act Citizen Participation requirements.



## Citizen Participation Outreach

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
1	Internet Outreach	Minorities, Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish Non-targeted/broad community	PY2020 Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) information was posted to HCCSD's website notifying interested applicants of available funds, round table discussion dates and submission deadline.	Harris County CSD sent numerous emails using the Interested Parties contact list of several hundred individuals and organizations to notify them of public notices, the NOFA, hearings and applicant conferences. These generated questions about funding, attendance at conferences and submission of applications requesting funding.	N/A	<a href="https://csd.harriscountytexas.gov/Pages/FundingOpportunities.aspx">https://csd.harriscountytexas.gov/Pages/FundingOpportunities.aspx</a>
2	Email to Interested Parties	Minorities, Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish Persons with disabilities Non-targeted/broad community	Harris County CSD sent out NOFA emails using the Interested Parties Contact List of several hundred individuals and organizations to notify them of public notices, the NOFA, upcoming public hearings and applicant conference.	Applicant conference attendees, inquiries about available funding, technical assistance to applicants, application submission deadline and receipt of 32 competitive proposals for evaluation and 10 pre-awarded applications.	N/A	<a href="https://csd.harriscountytexas.gov/Pages/FundingOpportunities.aspx">https://csd.harriscountytexas.gov/Pages/FundingOpportunities.aspx</a>
3	Newspaper Ad	Non-targeted/broad community	PY2020 RFP publication in the Houston Chronicle for three consecutive weeks by Harris County Purchasing that requested submission of proposals.	HCCSD received 32 competitive proposals for evaluation.	N/A	<a href="https://bids.hctx.net/bso/">https://bids.hctx.net/bso/</a>
4	Internet Outreach	Non-targeted/broad community	PY2020 RFP posting on the BuySpeed website by Harris County Purchasing that requested submission of proposals.	HCCSD received 32 competitive proposals for evaluation.	N/A	<a href="https://bids.hctx.net/bso/">https://bids.hctx.net/bso/</a>
5	Public Meeting	Non-targeted/broad community	HCCSD held a public meeting, known as a roundtable discussion, during the PY2020 RFP process for those interested in CDBG General funding.	Applicants asked questions about the process, application, obtaining technical assistance and available funding.	N/A	<a href="https://csd.harriscountytexas.gov/Pages/FundingOpportunities.aspx">https://csd.harriscountytexas.gov/Pages/FundingOpportunities.aspx</a>

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
6	Public Meeting	Non-targeted/broad community	HCCSD held a public meeting, known as a roundtable discussion, during the PY2020 RFP process for those interested in CDBG Public Services funding.	Applicants asked questions about the process, application, obtaining technical assistance and available funding.	N/A	<a href="https://csd.harriscountytexas.gov/Pages/FundingOpportunities.aspx">https://csd.harriscountytexas.gov/Pages/FundingOpportunities.aspx</a>
7	Public Meeting	Non-targeted/broad community	HCCSD held a public meeting, known as a roundtable discussion, during the PY2020 RFP process for those interested in ESG funding.	Applicants asked questions about the process, application, obtaining technical assistance and available funding.	N/A	<a href="https://csd.harriscountytexas.gov/Pages/FundingOpportunities.aspx">https://csd.harriscountytexas.gov/Pages/FundingOpportunities.aspx</a>
8	Newspaper Ad	Non-targeted/broad community	PY2020 Public Notice of Awards in the Houston Chronicle.	HCCSD received no comments to date.	N/A	<a href="https://www.legalnotice.org/pl/chron/landing1.aspx">https://www.legalnotice.org/pl/chron/landing1.aspx</a>
9	Newspaper Ad	Minorities, Non-English Speaking Specify other language: Spanish	PY2020 Public Notice of Awards in La Voz.	HCCSD has not received any response from citizens or organizations regarding the public notice.	N/A	N/A
10	Internet Outreach	Minorities, Non-English Speaking - Specify other language: Spanish Non-targeted/broad community	PY2020 AAP Public Notice of Awards posted to HCCSD website in English and Spanish.	No comments received to date.	N/A	<a href="https://csd.harriscountytexas.gov/Pages/AnnualActionPlan.aspx">https://csd.harriscountytexas.gov/Pages/AnnualActionPlan.aspx</a>
11	Internet Outreach	Non-targeted/broad community	Draft of PY2020 AAP and attachments posted to HCCSD website for public review and comment.	No comments received to date.	N/A	<a href="https://csd.harriscountytexas.gov/Pages/AnnualActionPlan.aspx">https://csd.harriscountytexas.gov/Pages/AnnualActionPlan.aspx</a>
12	Public Hearing	Non-targeted/broad community	Harris County held a public hearing for Draft PY2020 AAP on December 5, 2019, at 10:00 am in HCCSD's Lantern Point office that was open to the public. No members of the public attended	No comments were submitted during the public hearing.	N/A	<a href="https://csd.harriscountytexas.gov/Pages/AnnualActionPlan.aspx">https://csd.harriscountytexas.gov/Pages/AnnualActionPlan.aspx</a>

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
13	Internet Outreach	Minorities, Non-English Speaking Specify other language: Spanish Non-targeted/broad community	Harris County sent out an email to its Interested Parties Mailing List that the Draft PY2020 AAP was posted to HCCSD's website and available for review and comment.	No comments were received as a result of the emails sent out.	N/A	N/A
14	Public Hearing	Non-targeted/broad community	Harris County held a public hearing for the PY2020 AAP on December 17, 2019, at 10:00 am at Harris County Commissioners Court that was open to the public.	No comments were received.	N/A	<a href="https://agenda.harriscountytexas.gov/">https://agenda.harriscountytexas.gov/</a>
15	COVID-19 Advocacy Meetings	Advocacy groups	Beginning on April 7, 2020, and ending on October 8, 2020, Harris County engaged in standing COVID-19 Meetings on Fridays at 10:00 am that included neighboring government jurisdictions, CBOs, FBOs, and other community stakeholders for the purpose of organizing, prioritizing, and allocating COVID-19 funding in order to prepare, prevent and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic.	Recommendations for types of programs and services to be provided through the CARES Act funding.	Comments that were not in line with funding requirements, rules, and regulations.	

Sort Order	Mode of Outreach	Target of Outreach	Summary of response/attendance	Summary of comments received	Summary of comments not accepted and reasons	URL (If applicable)
16	Internet Outreach	Non-targeted/broad community	On June 23, 2020, Harris County engaged in Outreach regarding COVID-19 by sending out a Needs Assessment Survey to community-based organizations representing all populations of Harris County as well as private organizations, residents, and as many community stakeholders as possible to assess the impact of COVID-19 and where to best focus monetary assistance.	On July 30, 2020, results of the Needs Assessment Survey were recorded and categorized to inform how Harris County would proceed in prioritizing COVID-19 funding. The results showed that over 80% of respondents indicated major loss and negative impact surrounding income, housing, healthcare, and food.	All comments were accepted and evaluated due to the acute widespread impact of COVID-19 on individuals, families, and businesses.	URL
17	Newspaper Ad	Non-targeted/broad community	Beginning in April 2020 and ending in May 2021, Harris County made changes to the PY2020 AAP by including COVID-19 funding to existing projects in order to prepare, prevent and respond to the COVID-19 pandemic. Since that time several projects have been added to the PY2020 AAP with the use of CARES Act funding to carry out COVID-19 related activities. Each substantial amendment was accompanied by a major newspaper publishing and a Public Notice that can be seen on HCCSD's website.	No comments	N/A	URL

**Table 4 – Citizen Participation Outreach**

## Expected Resources

### AP-15 Expected Resources – 91.220(c)(1,2)

#### Introduction

Harris County Community Services Department (HCCSD) administers CDBG, HOME, and ESG funding for Harris County. HCCSD holds an annual Request for Proposal (RFP) process to allocate funding according to the priorities, goals and objectives of its current Consolidated Plan. HCCSD also coordinates with the Harris County Housing Authority on the Authority's projects for low-income tax credits and partners with the Houston Housing Authority to extend HUD resources to rapidly house the homeless. Harris County also acts as sponsor for several Continuum of Care (CoC) applicants and is a steering committee member of the CoC.

#### Anticipated Resources

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
CDBG	public - federal	Acquisition Admin and Planning Economic Development Housing Public Improvements Public Services	14,097,836	12,400	2,614,700	16,724,936	42,293,508	Harris County Community Development Priorities in public services, public facilities and infrastructure improvements.

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
HOME	public - federal	Acquisition Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership TBRA	4,528,115	16,300	900,000	5,444,415	13,584,345	Improve the affordability of Affordable Housing for homeless and/or low-to-moderate income families.
ESG	public - federal	Conversion and rehab for transitional housing Financial Assistance Overnight shelter Rapid re-housing (rental assistance) Rental Assistance Services Transitional housing	1,182,386	0	0	1,182,386	3,547,158	Assist homeless persons and persons at-risk of becoming homeless with necessary services, including use of HMIS by providers, to regain housing stability in permanent housing.
Continuum of Care	public - federal	Rental Assistance Services	873,778	0	0	873,778	0	Continuum of Care funds are used for rental assistance and services for clients at permanent supportive housing projects.
Other	private	Financial Assistance Rental Assistance	1,100,000	0	0	1,100,000	3,300,000	Combination of funding from Emergency Assistance, EFSP Phase 36/37, Reliant Care, TXU Energy Aid and others to assist eligible customers with emergency utility assistance for low-income households on the verge of utility disconnection or whose services have been disrupted due to economic hardship.

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
Other	public - federal	Other ESG-CV	12,077,076	0	0	0	0	ESG-CV funds (Rounds 1 and 2) to be used to prevent, prepare and/or respond to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.
Other	public - federal	Other CDBG-CV	18,317,084	0	0	0	0	CDBG-CV and CDBG-CV Round 3 to be used to prevent, prepare and/or respond to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.
Other	public - federal	Public Improvements Public Services	3,000,000	0	0	3,000,000	9,000,000	Federal Transit Administration (FTA) grant funding is used for the operation of Harris County Transit services and installation of bus stops and shelters.
Other	public - state	Acquisition Admin and Planning Homebuyer assistance Homeowner rehab Housing Multifamily rental new construction Multifamily rental rehab New construction for ownership Public Improvements Public Services Services	1,294,813,590	0	0	1,294,813,590	1,100,000,000	Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funding from HUD to the State of Texas and allocated to Harris County for the recovery of housing and infrastructure / non-housing projects affected by Hurricane Ike/Dolly, 2015 Flood Events, 2016 Flood Events and 2017 Hurricane Harvey Flood Event.
Other	public - state	Financial Assistance Rental Assistance	300,000	0	0	300,000	0	Texas Veterans Commission Fund for Veterans' Assistance grant to provide emergency rental/utility assistance for veterans experiencing a temporary financial crisis causing an inability to pay rent or utilities.

Program	Source of Funds	Uses of Funds	Expected Amount Available Year 1				Expected Amount Available Remainder of ConPlan \$	Narrative Description
			Annual Allocation: \$	Program Income: \$	Prior Year Resources: \$	Total: \$		
Other	public - local	Admin and Planning Services Other	0	0	0	0	0	Tax Increment Reinvestment Zone funds for planning, homeless services and HMIS administration when available.

**Table 5 - Expected Resources – Priority Table**

**Explain how federal funds will leverage those additional resources (private, state and local funds), including a description of how matching requirements will be satisfied**

The HUD funding received by the county is used to leverage additional dollars for transit services, social services, homeless programs and economic development. HUD requires that participating jurisdictions provide 25 percent match for all HOME funds and 100 percent for ESG funds. HUD's match requirements for HOME and ESG are passed to the county's sub-recipients of HUD funding. While there are no federal match requirements for CDBG, HCCSD requires that those projects applying for CDBG Public Services funding provide a minimum of 25 percent leveraging and CDBG General a minimum of 25 percent leveraging for the proposed project. HCCSD also coordinates with the Harris County Housing Authority (HCHA) in the authority's projects applying for low-income housing tax credits. Harris County also acts as the applicant for one Continuum of Care (CoC) project. HUD funding will also assist expanding available State and Federal transit funding to serve low-income areas of the county.

**If appropriate, describe publicly owned land or property located within the jurisdiction that may be used to address the needs identified in the plan**

This section is not applicable to Harris County.

### **Discussion**

Harris County verifies all leverage and match documentation submitted by subgrantees for prospective match or leverage. The range of resources leveraged to support Harris County projects is broad and includes local and national foundations, the United Way, State and Federal Agencies such as TDHCA, Health and Human Services, Texas Department of Agriculture, Area Agency on Aging, Texas Veterans Commission as well as private donations from individuals, both cash and volunteer services.



## Annual Goals and Objectives

### AP-20 Annual Goals and Objectives

#### Goals Summary Information

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
1	Homeownership for Owners	2019	2024	Affordable Housing		Housing	HOME: \$1,037,580	Direct Financial Assistance to Homebuyers: 45 Households Assisted
3	Single-family Home Rehabilitation Owners	2019	2024	Affordable Housing		Housing	CDBG: \$1,638,996 HOME: \$1,123,945	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 49 Household Housing Unit
4	SF Lead Based Paint Abatement Owners	2019	2024	Affordable Housing		Housing	CDBG: \$400,000	Homeowner Housing Rehabilitated: 20 Household Housing Unit
7	Rental Assistance	2019	2024	Affordable Housing		Homelessness Housing	HOME: \$713,000	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 70 Households Assisted
9	Homeless Street Outreach	2019	2024	Homeless		Homelessness	ESG: \$115,895	Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 1248 Persons Assisted
10	Homeless Emergency and Transitional Housing	2019	2024	Homeless		Homelessness	ESG: \$116,836	Homeless Person Overnight Shelter: 575 Persons Assisted
11	Homeless Prevention	2019	2024	Homeless		Homelessness	ESG: \$39,503	Homelessness Prevention: 15 Persons Assisted
12	Rapid Re-Housing	2019	2024	Homeless		Homelessness	CDBG: \$534,043 ESG: \$647,839	Tenant-based rental assistance / Rapid Rehousing: 318 Households Assisted

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
13	Homeless Management Information System	2019	2024	Homeless		Homelessness	ESG: \$50,000	Other: 94 Other
17	Parks	2019	2024	Non-Housing Community Development		Public Facilities	CDBG: \$914,057	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 1530 Persons Assisted
21	Water/Sewer Improvements	2019	2024	Non-Housing Community Development		Infrastructure	CDBG: \$4,273,871	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 14376 Persons Assisted
22	Sidewalks/Pathways	2019	2024	Non-Housing Community Development		Infrastructure	CDBG: \$914,057	Public Facility or Infrastructure Activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 8390 Persons Assisted
24	General Public Services	2019	2024	Non-Housing Community Development		Public Services	CDBG: \$50,000	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 25 Persons Assisted
25	Senior Services (Special Needs Population)	2019	2024	Non-Housing Community Development		Public Services	CDBG: \$136,676	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 601 Persons Assisted
26	Youth Services/Child Care	2019	2024	Non-Housing Community Development		Public Services	CDBG: \$298,219	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 1145 Persons Assisted
27	Health Services	2019	2024	Non-Housing Community Development		Public Services	CDBG: \$70,000	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 243 Persons Assisted

Sort Order	Goal Name	Start Year	End Year	Category	Geographic Area	Needs Addressed	Funding	Goal Outcome Indicator
29	Transportation Services	2019	2024	Non-Housing Community Development		Public Services	CDBG: \$710,371	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 9416 Persons Assisted
30	Services for Persons with HIV/AIDS	2019	2024	Non-Homeless Special Needs Non-Housing Community Development		Homelessness Public Services	CDBG: \$50,000	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 50 Persons Assisted
31	Abused and Neglected Children	2019	2024	Non-Housing Community Development		Public Services	CDBG: \$155,000	Public service activities other than Low/Moderate Income Housing Benefit: 502 Persons Assisted
33	Clearance and Demolition	2019	2024	Non-Housing Community Development		Other	CDBG: \$150,000	Buildings Demolished: 15 Buildings

**Table 6 – Goals Summary**

### Goal Descriptions

1	Goal Name	Homeownership for Owners
	Goal Description	Funds will be used to provide individuals and families with the opportunity for homeownership through financial assistance to prospective homebuyers.
3	Goal Name	Single-family Home Rehabilitation Owners
	Goal Description	Funds will be used to provide single-family reconstruction, major or minor rehabilitation assistance to low-to-moderate income homeowners, including senior and disabled households.
4	Goal Name	SF Lead Based Paint Abatement Owners
	Goal Description	Funds will be used to assist in abatement of lead-based paint hazards in owner-occupied single-family housing units.
7	Goal Name	Rental Assistance
	Goal Description	Funds will be used to provide rental assistance payments and security/utility deposits to homeless and formerly homeless persons.

9	<b>Goal Name</b>	Homeless Street Outreach
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Funds will be used to perform engagement activities with homeless individuals to assist in accessing emergency essential services, housing resources and/or urgent care resources.
10	<b>Goal Name</b>	Homeless Emergency and Transitional Housing
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Funds will be used to provide homeless persons with emergency shelter, transitional housing (youth and domestic violence only) and case management services.
11	<b>Goal Name</b>	Homeless Prevention
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Funds will be used to provide housing relocation and stabilization services and rental assistance to prevent households from experiencing homelessness.
12	<b>Goal Name</b>	Rapid Re-Housing
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Funds will be used to provide rental assistance and case management services to homeless individuals and families.
13	<b>Goal Name</b>	Homeless Management Information System
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Funds will be used to administer the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) and assist with ensuring usage by all applicable homeless providers.
17	<b>Goal Name</b>	Parks
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Funds will be used to make improvements and/or construct new park facilities in Harris County.
21	<b>Goal Name</b>	Water/Sewer Improvements
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Funds will be used to make improvements to water and sanitary sewer systems in Harris County.
22	<b>Goal Name</b>	Sidewalks/Pathways
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Funds will be used to make improvements and/or construct parks and pathways to improve mobility and safety in Harris County
24	<b>Goal Name</b>	General Public Services
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Funds will be used to provide services to low-moderate income persons that improve their quality of life and access to opportunities.
25	<b>Goal Name</b>	Senior Services (Special Needs Population)
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Funds will be used to provide services to seniors that improve their quality of life.
26	<b>Goal Name</b>	Youth Services/Child Care
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Funds will be used to provide services that improve area children's health, well-being and educational opportunities.
27	<b>Goal Name</b>	Health Services
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Funds will be used to provide services that improve the health and well-being of low-to-moderate income, senior, disabled or homeless persons.

<b>29</b>	<b>Goal Name</b>	Transportation Services
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Funds will be used to provide transportation services to low-to-moderate income persons including homeless persons, seniors and individuals with disabilities.
<b>30</b>	<b>Goal Name</b>	Services for Persons with HIV/AIDS
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Funds will be used to provide persons with HIV/AIDS and experiencing homelessness with case management services to access available resources.
<b>31</b>	<b>Goal Name</b>	Abused and Neglected Children
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Funds will be used to provide advocacy services for abused and neglected children.
<b>33</b>	<b>Goal Name</b>	Clearance and Demolition
	<b>Goal Description</b>	Funds will be used to demolish dilapidated and/or unsafe structures located in low-to-moderate income areas of Harris County to improve neighborhood integrity.

## Projects

### AP-35 Projects – 91.220(d)

#### Introduction

For PY2020, Harris County Community Services Department (HCCSD) proposes to fund a total of fifty (50) qualifying projects, of which forty-two (42) are competitive and in-house projects. At the same time, the remaining six (6) are HCCSD CDBG, HOME, and ESG Administrative projects. Two (2) projects were identified as worthy projects for funding awards, recommended and approved by Commissioners Court. Only thirty-four (34) projects are listed below due to all ESG funded projects being consolidated into one project, including program administration and un-programmed funds. In addition, included in the list below are HCCSD Administrative projects for CDBG and HOME funds numbered as projects 1 through 4. For the CARES Act funding, HCCSD, as part of a community-wide initiative to address COVID-19 released a joint Request for Expression of Interest (REI) to solicit projects that could rapidly respond to the negative impacts of COVID-19. Projects were prioritized and selected based on the organizations' readiness to provide services related to COVID-19. Moreover, HCCSD selected other projects based on the COVID-19 Needs Survey Assessment. In all, HCCSD selected a total of 21 projects to receive CARES ACT funding; fifteen (15) were CDBG-CV, and six (6) were ESG-CV.

#### Projects

#	Project Name
1	Harris County CSD - Unprogrammed CDBG
2	Harris County CSD - Unprogrammed HOME and CHDO
3	Harris County CSD - HOME Administration
4	Harris County CSD - CDBG Administration
5	AIDS Foundation Houston, Inc. - CARE (Coordinated Access to Resources and Education) Program
6	Child Advocates, Inc. - Court Appointed Special Advocates Program
7	Children's Assessment Center - Therapy & Interviewing Services for Sexually Abused Youth
8	Harris County CSD - Housing Stability Case Management
9	Harris County CSD - Housing Stability Case Management (SEARCH)
10	Harris County CSD - Transportation Program
11	Harris County Pct. 1 - Senior B.I.K.E.S. Program
12	Harris County Pct. 1 Street Olympics - Aquatics Program
13	Harris County Pct. 1 Street Olympics - Environmental Education Program
14	Harris County Pct. 1 Street Olympics - Summer Games
15	Healthcare for the Homeless-Houston - Dental Care Program
16	Houston's Capital IDEA - Career Education Program
17	Interfaith Ministries for Greater Houston - Case Work for Meals on Wheels for Greater Houston
18	Northwest Assistance Ministries (NAM) - Case Work for Meals on Wheels Program
19	Precinct2gether, Inc. - After-School and Summer Day Camp
20	Precinct2gether, Inc. - Transportation Voucher Program
21	City of Jacinto City - Northside Water Mains and Fire Protection
22	Crosby MUD - Replacement of Waterlines
23	Harris County CSD - Health and Safety Home Repair Program
24	Harris County CSD - Minor Home Repair Program

#	Project Name
25	Harris County Pct. 1 - Airline Improvement District East Lorino Water and Sanitary Line Improvements
26	Harris County Pct. 2 - Parkwood Estates Water Distribution System Phase 2
27	Harris County Pct. 3 - Sidewalks and Park Project (PY2021 Leverage)
28	Harris County MUD No. 148 - Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion
29	Harris County Public Health - Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction
30	Harris County Public Health - Neighborhood Nuisance Abatement Program
31	ESG20 Harris County
32	Harris County CSD - Downpayment Assistance Program
33	Harris County CSD - Major Rehabilitation/Reconstruction Program
34	Harris County CSD - Tenant Based Rental Assistance
35	CDBG-CV Precinct2gether, Inc.
36	CDBG-CV CoC Five Year Strategic Plan Expansion (COVID-19)
37	CDBG PS COVID WAIVER The Harris Center for Mental Health and IDD-CCHP Behavioral Health ResponseTeam
38	CDBG PS COVID WAIVER Career and Recovery Resources, Inc.- CCHP Bridge to PSH-Case Management
39	CDBG PS COVID WAIVER The Salvation Army of Greater Houston- CCHP Bridge to PSH (Related C2020-053)
40	CDBG-CV The Beacon- CCHP Bridge to PSH- Navigation (COVID-19)
41	CDBG-CV BakerRipley- CCHP Diversion Case Management (COVID-19)
42	CDBG-CV The Salvation Army of Greater Houston- CCHP Diversion Case Management (COVID-19)
43	HCCSD- Single Family Affordable Housing Programs
44	CDBG-CV HCCSD Affordable Housing Study (COVID-19)
45	CDBG20 MUD 148 Lift Station #2 Improvements (Phase 2)
46	CDBG20 Castlewood Drainage Improvements
47	CDBG-CV Career and Recovery Income Support
48	CDBG-CV CCHP-Harris Center @ Dennis Street (COVID-19)
49	CDBG-CV Harris County Comprehensive Eviction Prevention and Rental Housing Program
50	CDBG-CV HC CSD Preparedness/Prevention/Response Solutions
51	CDBG-CV HC CSD- Housing Stability Case Management COVID Expansion (Related C2020-008)
52	CDBG-CV Interfaith Ministries for Greater Houston- Meals on Wheels (Related C2020-017)
53	CDBG-CV Northwest Assistance Ministries - Case Work for Meals on Wheels Program (Related C2020-018)
54	CDBG-CV The Salvation Army of Greater Houston- CCHP Bridge to PSH (COVID-19) (Related C2020-0039)
55	CDBG-CV Administration

**Table 7 - Project Information**

### **Describe the reasons for allocation priorities and any obstacles to addressing underserved needs**

For the PY2020 RFP and Annual Action Plan, Harris County held a competitive RFP soliciting proposals for the estimated available amounts of PY2020 CDBG Public Service, CDBG and ESG funding. Harris County determined that a high priority level should be assigned to the following CDBG Public Service objectives: General Services, Senior Services, Youth Services/Child Care, Health Services, Services to Persons with

Disabilities, Transportation Services, Services to Persons with HIV/AIDS, Abused/Neglected, and Crime Awareness and Juvenile Justice. Projects selected for funding should address at least one of the high priority level objectives. CDBG General projects were selected from the PY2019 competitive RFP process with a high priority assigned to the following objectives: Senior Centers, Youth Centers, Street Improvements, Water/Sewer Improvements, Sidewalks/Pathways and Drainage Improvements. Harris County ESG funding continues to place high priority on Emergency Shelters, Street Outreach, Rapid Re-Housing and Homelessness Prevention projects for PY2020.

The impacts of Hurricane Harvey on Harris County were significant resulting in wide-spread flooding damage to homes, businesses and infrastructure. The impacts to the community have been assessed and are being addressed with disaster recovery funding. Some of the obstacles to addressing underserved needs were identified as providing affordable housing for displaced residents, repairs to damaged homes, reconstruction of severely damaged homes, drainage improvements and buyout of properties located deep in the floodplain with repetitive losses. The damage to county housing units has exacerbated the affordable housing crisis that existed before Hurricane Harvey. As the demand for replacement housing increases, low-to-moderate income households are being pushed out of the market.

Harris County's Downpayment Assistance Program (DAP) identified that there is a need by low-to-moderate income DAP participants to obtain more affordable mortgages for single-family homeownership as costs for housing continue to rise. Harris County is working to overcome this obstacle of meeting more stringent credit requirements for affordable mortgages and reducing the housing costs burden on residents. For residents who may have been flooded in the 2015, 2016 and/or 2017 Hurricane Harvey flood events, home repairs ranging from minor to complete reconstruction with elevation of homes is needed. Through its Minor Home Repair, Health and Safety Home Repair and Major Rehab/Reconstruction Programs the county is working address this obstacle.

On June 23, 2020, Harris County engaged in Outreach regarding COVID-19 by sending out a Needs Assessment Survey to community-based organizations representing all populations of Harris County as well as private organizations, residents, and as many community stakeholders as possible to assess the impact of COVID-19 and where to best focus monetary assistance. On July 30, 2020, the results of the Needs Assessment Survey was recorded and categorized to inform how Harris County would proceed in prioritizing COVID-19 funding. The results showed that over 80% of respondents indicated major loss and negative impact surrounding income, housing, healthcare, and food.



**AP-38 Project Summary**  
**Project Summary Information**

<b>1</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Harris County CSD - Unprogrammed CDBG
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$630,479
	<b>Description</b>	Unprogrammed Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	N/A
	<b>Location Description</b>	N/A
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	N/A
<b>2</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Harris County CSD - Unprogrammed HOME and CHDO
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	
	<b>Funding</b>	HOME: \$1,317,079
	<b>Description</b>	Unprogrammed Home Investment Partnership (HOME) and HOME Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO) funds.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	N/A
	<b>Location Description</b>	N/A
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	N/A
<b>3</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Harris County CSD - HOME Administration
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	
	<b>Funding</b>	HOME: \$452,811
	<b>Description</b>	Funding to be used for HOME program administration by Harris County.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	N/A
	<b>Location Description</b>	N/A
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	N/A
<b>4</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Harris County CSD - CDBG Administration
	<b>Target Area</b>	

	<b>Goals Supported</b>	
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$2,819,996
	<b>Description</b>	Funding to be used for CDBG program administration.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	N/A
	<b>Location Description</b>	N/A
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	N/A
<b>5</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	AIDS Foundation Houston, Inc. - CARE (Coordinated Access to Resources and Education) Program
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Services for Persons with HIV/AIDS
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Homelessness
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$50,000
	<b>Description</b>	AIDS Foundation Houston (AFH) will provide case management services to 50 unduplicated persons living with HIV/AIDS who are experiencing homelessness.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Activities will benefit 50 homeless families experiencing HIV/AIDS.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Countywide activity: Facility is located at 6260 Westpark Drive, Houston, TX 77057.
<b>6</b>	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Case management services to homeless persons with HIV/AIDS.
	<b>Project Name</b>	Child Advocates, Inc. - Court Appointed Special Advocates Program
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Abused and Neglected Children
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Services
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$65,000
	<b>Description</b>	Child Advocates will supervise court appointed volunteers in their efforts to provide court appointed advocacy services to 167 abused and neglected children.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Activities will benefit 167 families with abused or neglected children.
	<b>Location Description</b>	County-wide activity; Facility is located at 3701 Kirby Drive, Suite 400, Houston, Texas 77098.

	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Supervision of volunteer advocates provided advocacy services for children who have been abused and neglected.
<b>7</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Children's Assessment Center - Therapy & Interviewing Services for Sexually Abused Youth
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Abused and Neglected Children
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Services
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$90,000
	<b>Description</b>	The Children's Assessment Center (CAC) will provide therapy and interviewing services to 335 sexually abused youth in Harris County.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Activities will benefit 335 families with sexually abused youth in Harris County.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Countywide activity; Facility located at 2500 Bolsover Street, Houston, Texas 77005.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Therapy and interviewing services to youth.
<b>8</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Harris County CSD - Housing Stability Case Management
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Rapid Re-Housing
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Homelessness
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$312,883
	<b>Description</b>	The HCCSD Office of Social Services will provide housing stability case management services to 90 homeless individuals who have been identified as receiving a Houston Housing Authority Housing Choice Voucher. Clients will receive comprehensive case management and related support services to help ensure that clients remain stable in permanent housing. By providing such services, this will help alleviate homelessness within Harris County. The costs associated with case management and rental payment processing will be classified as project delivery matching funds for the ESG component of the program.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Activities will benefit 90 chronically homeless families receiving housing choice vouchers.
	<b>Location Description</b>	County-wide activity; Harris County CSD Social Services facility is located at 9418 Jensen Drive, Houston, Texas 77093.

	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Activities will benefit 90 chronically homeless families receiving housing vouchers by providing case management services and support services.
<b>9</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Harris County CSD - Housing Stability Case Management (SEARCH)
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Rapid Re-Housing
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Homelessness
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$221,160
	<b>Description</b>	The HCCSD will contract with SEARCH to provide housing stability case management services to 78 formerly homeless clients, including assessment of needs, development of goals and service plans, connection to mainstream resources and close coordination with property management to help clients maintain housing. Services provided at multiple apartment sites.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Activities will benefit 78 formerly homeless families by providing case management services and support services.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Countywide activity; 8410 Lantern Point, Houston, Texas 77054.
<b>10</b>	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Housing stability case management services to clients including assessment of needs, development of goals, service plans and connections to other mainstream resources.
	<b>Project Name</b>	Harris County CSD - Transportation Program
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Transportation Services
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Services
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$619,899 Federal Transit Administration: \$3,000,000

	<b>Description</b>	The Harris County CSD Transportation Program will: (1) provide non-emergency medical demand response transit services to elderly and disabled persons for essential services in the non METRO service areas, (2) provide non-emergency medical demand response transit services to homeless persons for essential services in the non-METRO service areas, (3) provide a connector shuttle service for La Porte to transport low-income or disabled persons to social services, medical facilities and provide a connection to the METRO bus system to allow greater access the the Texas Medical Center and Downtown Houston. This service will have a flex component for ADA demand response trips. Service time will be extended by 1 hour per day to meet additional needs and also limited Saturday service, and (4) provide a route service in Highlands Crosby that will extend operating times and provide Saturday service to provide access for low-income persons to clinics and employment centers within the low income areas on the east side of Harris County. The extended times will also allow use of the Park and Ride system to give passengers greater access to Downtown Business and Medical Center venues.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Activities benefit 9,165 low-to-moderate income, homeless, senior and/or families that have a person with a disability.
	<b>Location Description</b>	County-wide activity. Harris County Transit offices are located at 8410 Lantern Point Drive, Houston, Texas 77054.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	1. Non-emergency medical demand response to low-income, homeless and persons with disabilities. 2. Connector shuttle in La Porte for low-income and persons with disabilities to social services and medical facilities and METRO service area. 3. Lifeline deviated route in Highlands/Crosby area for low-income areas to provide access to clinics and employment centers in East Harris County with extended service times.
<b>11</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Harris County Pct. 1 - Senior B.I.K.E.S. Program
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Senior Services (Special Needs Population)
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Services
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$42,676

	<b>Description</b>	The program will serve 125 seniors by exposing them to bike riding for health benefits. Each program begins with a bike safety class and continues with supervised rides, nutrition classes and health screenings.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Activities will benefit 125 low-income families with seniors.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Southeast Harris County within Harris County Precinct One at facilities/parks/trails and roadways/bike lanes.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Activities to promote safe bike riding, health screenings and nutrition classes.
<b>12</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Harris County Pct. 1 Street Olympics - Aquatics Program
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Youth Services/Child Care
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Services
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$42,024
	<b>Description</b>	Project provides learn-to-swim classes, instructional swim program for inner-city youth, nationally competitive swim team and coordinates US Swim sanctioned meets for over 201 youth in HCCSD Service area.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Activities will benefit approximately 201 low-to-moderate income families.
	<b>Location Description</b>	County-wide activity. Activities take place at Precinct One facilities.
<b>13</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Harris County Pct. 1 Street Olympics - Environmental Education Program
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Youth Services/Child Care
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Services
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$28,993
	<b>Description</b>	The Environmental Education Program provides an opportunity for youth to discover nature through a summer day camp, an all-year 'Traveling Naturalist' program and summer internship program for a total of 210 youth.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021

	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Activities will benefit 210 low-to-moderate income families.
	<b>Location Description</b>	County-wide activity.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Youth education of nature through summer day camp</li> <li>2. All year Travelling Naturalist for youth education</li> <li>3. Internship program for older youth at summer day camp</li> </ol>
<b>14</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Harris County Pct. 1 Street Olympics - Summer Games
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Youth Services/Child Care
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Services
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$58,502
	<b>Description</b>	Program provides character building participatory and competitive summer recreational activities for 209 children (6 - 16 years old) who reside in Harris County and offers work training opportunities for high school and college students via a summer work program.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Activities will benefit 209 low-to-moderate income families.
	<b>Location Description</b>	County-wide activity.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Character building participatory and competitive youth recreational events for youth during the summer and a summer work program for older youth of high school and college ages.
<b>15</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Healthcare for the Homeless-Houston - Dental Care Program
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Health Services
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Services
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$70,000
	<b>Description</b>	Healthcare for the Homeless (HHH) will provide urgent, routine and restorative dental care services to 244 homeless or formerly individuals
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Activities will benefit 244 homeless or formerly homeless families.
	<b>Location Description</b>	County-wide activity. Healthcare for the Homeless-Houston's Dental Clinic is located at 1934 Caroline Street, Houston, Texas 77002.

	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Urgent, routine and restorative dental-health services to homeless or formerly homeless individuals in need of dental care.
<b>16</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Houston's Capital IDEA - Career Education Program
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	General Public Services
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Services
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$50,000
	<b>Description</b>	Capital IDEA will provide job/educational training services to 25 low- and-moderate income residents of Harris County that lead to careers.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Activities will benefit 25 low-to-moderate income families.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Countywide activity; Facility is located at 2101 Crawford, Suite 211, Houston, Texas 77002.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Activities include job skills training, education services and certifications.
<b>17</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Interfaith Ministries for Greater Houston - Case Work for Meals on Wheels for Greater Houston
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Senior Services (Special Needs Population)
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Services
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$47,000
	<b>Description</b>	The Meals on Wheels for Greater Houston program provides seniors with adequate daily nutrition and support through the home-delivery of nutritious hot and frozen meals, weekend meals, and breakfast meals. The Harris County CDBG funds will be used to provide case assessments to 330 homebound seniors to ensure that staff is aware of all nutritional and non-nutritional needs of these seniors.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Activities benefit 330 low-to-moderate income or disabled seniors.
	<b>Location Description</b>	County-wide activity. Interfaith Ministries office is located at 3303 Main Street, Houston Texas 77002.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Provide support through the delivery of daily meals and performing case assessments of homebound seniors.
<b>18</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Northwest Assistance Ministries (NAM) - Case Work for Meals on Wheels Program
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Senior Services (Special Needs Population)



	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Services
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$47,000
	<b>Description</b>	Northwest Assistance Ministries' Meals on Wheels Program will provide case assessment services and direct assistance which includes daily meals and daily volunteer contact to 305 home bound senior citizens.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Activities will benefit 305 low-to-moderate income or disabled seniors.
	<b>Location Description</b>	County-wide activity. NAM's office is located at 15555 Kuykendahl Road, Houston, Texas 77090.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Provide support with daily delivery of meals and case assessment to home-bound seniors during home visits.
<b>19</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Precinct2gether, Inc. - After-School and Summer Day Camp
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Youth Services/Child Care
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Services
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$168,700
	<b>Description</b>	Precinct2gether will provide a summer day camp and after-school care enrichment activities to 525 children in Harris County.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Activities to benefit 525 low-to-moderate income families.
	<b>Location Description</b>	East Harris County with activities taking place in various Harris County Precinct 2's facilities.
<b>20</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Precinct2gether, Inc. - Transportation Voucher Program
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Senior Services (Special Needs Population)
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Services
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$90,472
	<b>Description</b>	Precinct2gether will provide case management services and electronic fare cards to 251 seniors and/or disabled adults.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021

	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Activities will benefit 251 low-to-moderate income seniors and/or disabled adults.
	<b>Location Description</b>	East Harris County within Precinct 2's boundaries.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Transportation fare cards distributed to seniors and/or disabled for use in accessing area services.
<b>21</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	City of Jacinto City - Northside Water Mains and Fire Protection
	<b>Target Area</b>	Jacinto City
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Water/Sewer Improvements
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Infrastructure
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$887,267
	<b>Description</b>	The City of Jacinto City will use CDBG funds and will assist low to moderate-income residents of Jacinto City by constructing approximately 5,370 linear feet of 10" and approximately 3,930 linear feet of 8" water mains along with approximately 20 fire hydrants from Oats Road to Mercury Drive North of Market Street.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Activities will benefit approximately 1,625 low-to-moderate income families.
	<b>Location Description</b>	10100 & 10200 blocks of I-10 Feeder Road, Rumar Lane, Muscatine Street, Challenger 7 Drive and Market Street, Jacinto City, Texas
<b>22</b>	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Activities include construction of new water mains and installation of fire hydrants.
	<b>Project Name</b>	Crosby MUD - Replacement of Waterlines
	<b>Target Area</b>	Crosby
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Water/Sewer Improvements
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Infrastructure
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$417,119
	<b>Description</b>	Crosby Municipal Utility District will use CDBG funds and will assist low moderate-income residents of Precinct 2 by replacing approximately 5,050 linear feet of 40-year old 6" asbestos cement water lines with 12" PVC water lines on FM 2100. The project will include connections to existing lateral lines and customers and replacement of approximately 15 fire hydrants. This water line serves as one of the major distribution mains in all of Crosby MUD and thus benefits the water supply and pressure maintenance of the entire distribution system.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021

	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Activities will benefit 1,576 low-to-moderate income families.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Located at FM 2100 between Kennings Road and Krenek Road, Crosby, Texas 77532
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Activities include replacement of waterlines, connections and fire hydrants.
<b>23</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Harris County CSD - Health and Safety Home Repair Program
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Single-family Home Rehabilitation Owners
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Housing
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$333,996
	<b>Description</b>	The Harris County Community Services Department Home Repair Program provides grants to low-income and elderly (62 years or older) households for up to \$40,000 for a septic system and water well repairs that have a current health and safety code violation citation(s). The home must be a single-family dwelling and owner-occupied by an elderly or disabled family that demonstrates they are unable to afford the repair(s) needed.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Project will benefit approximately 8 low-income and elderly (62 years or older) households.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Scattered sites to be determined upon review of submitted applications - County-wide activity.
<b>24</b>	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Rehabilitation through repair of single-family homes with water/sewer health or safety code violations.
	<b>Project Name</b>	Harris County CSD - Minor Home Repair Program
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Single-family Home Rehabilitation Owners
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Housing
	<b>Funding</b>	Funds deobligated
	<b>Description</b>	The Harris County Community Services Department Home Repair Program provides grants or deferred payment loans to low-income and elderly (62 years or older) households for up to \$20,000 for minor home repairs for qualified housing, including but not limited to, roof repair/replacement, handicap accessibility improvements, mechanical, electrical, and plumbing improvements. The home must be a single-family dwelling and owner-occupied by an elderly or disabled family that demonstrates they are unable to afford the eligible repair(s) needed.

	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Project activities benefit approximately 35 families in low-income and disabled or elderly households.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Scattered sites to be determined upon review of submitted applications - County-wide activity.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Rehabilitation through repair of single-family homes for low-income, senior or disabled residents.
<b>25</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Harris County Pct. 1 - Airline Improvement District East Lorino Water and Sanitary Line Improvements
	<b>Target Area</b>	Airline
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Water/Sewer Improvements
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Infrastructure
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$1,085,361
	<b>Description</b>	Harris County Precinct 1, in partnership with Airline Improvement District (AID), will use CDBG funds and will assist low to moderate-income residents in AID by providing reliable quality drinking water and fire hydrants. Project is 1 phase of a multi-phase program that builds upon previous phases to bring public water and sewer to areas where residents use water wells, which are shallow and contamination prone, have failing septic systems which can contaminate water wells, roadside ditches and public waterways. City of Houston will own and operate the system after construction. Project construction includes approximately 2,010 linear feet of 8-in water lines and approximately 1,875 linear feet of 8-in sanitary sewer lines and service connections to eligible residents along East Lorino Avenue east of Airline Drive
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Activities will benefit approximately 1,190 low-to-moderate income families.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Located from the 100 through 500 blocks of East Lorini Avenue, Houston, Texas 77037.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Installation of new water lines and service connections to eligible households.
<b>26</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Harris County Pct. 2 - Parkwood Estates Water Distribution System Phase 2
	<b>Target Area</b>	Aldine
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Water/Sewer Improvements
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Infrastructure
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$884,124

	<b>Description</b>	Harris County Precinct 2, in partnership with East Aldine Management District, will use CDBG funds and will assist low to moderate-income residents by providing reliable quality drinking water and fire hydrants. The project is one phase of a multi-phase program that builds upon previous phases to bring public water and sewer to areas where residents use water wells, which are shallow and contamination prone and have failing septic systems which can contaminate water wells, roadside ditches and public waterways. City of Houston will own and operate the system after construction. Project includes construction of approximately 1,025 linear feet of water lines, approximately 4,459 linear feet of water lines, approximately 1,114 linear feet of water lines and service connections.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Activities benefit approximately 1,960 low-to-moderate income families.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Located on 14305-14362 Picton Drive; 14317-14362 Rochelle Drive; 14315-14363 Daleburg Drive; 14309-14358 Haverty Drive; 14125-14222 McDermott Drive and 5401-5611 Charrin Drive, Houston, TX 77032
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Installation of water lines and service connections to eligible residents.
<b>27</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Harris County Pct. 3 - Sidewalks and Park Project (PY2021 Leverage)
	<b>Target Area</b>	Westpark
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Parks Sidewalks/Pathways
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Facilities Infrastructure
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$914,057

	<b>Description</b>	Harris County Precinct 3 will use CDBG funds and will assist low to moderate-income residents of Precinct 3 by constructing approximately 7,790 feet of sidewalks. The sidewalk additions along Addicks Clodine and Westpark Dr. will benefit low to moderate-income residents by providing safe pedestrian access from single and multi-family residential areas to early childhood development schools, businesses and hike and bike trails within the area. Precinct 3 is also planning to construct a new 5 acre park north of Waller. This park will benefit low to moderate-income residents by providing Binford Place Subdivision with an outdoor recreation area that currently does not exist in the area. The park will include the extension of Binford Circle, a parking lot, trails, playground and shade canopies along with standard park amenities.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Sidewalk activities will benefit approximately 8,390 low-to-moderate income families. Park activities will benefit approximately 1,530 low-to-moderate income families.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Sidewalks: Addicks Clodine (East & West side of road); Westpark Drive (East & West side of road), Houston, TX 77082 Park: 21527 Binford Circle, Waller, TX 77484
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Construction of a new park and new sidewalks.
28	<b>Project Name</b>	Harris County MUD No. 148 - Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion
	<b>Target Area</b>	Greensbrook-Verde Forest
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Water/Sewer Improvements
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Infrastructure
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$1,000,000
	<b>Description</b>	Harris County Municipal Utility District No. 148 will use CDBG funds and will assist low to moderate-income residents of Precinct 1 by expanding the wastewater treatment plant capacity. Increasing the plant capacity will allow the District to meet population growth. Once all work is complete, the WWTP capacity will have increased from 0.65 million gallons per day (MGD) to 0.95 MGD.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Activities will benefit approximately 8,025 low-to-moderate income families.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Located at 0 Greensbrook Forest Drive, Houston, Texas 77044.

	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Wastewater treatment plant improvements to increase service capacity.
<b>29</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Harris County Public Health - Lead-Based Paint Hazard Reduction
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	SF Lead Based Paint Abatement Owners
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Housing
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$400,000
	<b>Description</b>	Harris County Public Health will use grant funds to reduce lead-based paint hazards in twenty (20) single-family housing units in Harris County. Project activities include community outreach and education, blood testing for lead, program coordination with medical institutions, risk assessment, relocation, lead safe work project design and oversight, and lead clearance testing.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Activities will benefit 20 low-to-moderate income families.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Scattered sites - County-wide activity.
<b>30</b>	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Housing rehabilitation to remove/reduce lead or lead-based paint hazards and educate families of lead-based paint risks.
	<b>Project Name</b>	Harris County Public Health - Neighborhood Nuisance Abatement Program
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Clearance and Demolition
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Other
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$150,000
	<b>Description</b>	The Neighborhood Nuisance Program will identify, investigate, and abate fifteen (15) abandoned structures in an effort to aid in the prevention or elimination of slum and blight within Harris County.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Number and type of families benefiting from activities is not applicable. Identified nuisance structures to be abated are abandoned and unoccupied.
<b>31</b>	<b>Location Description</b>	Scattered sites - County-wide activity.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Clearance or demolition of abandoned buildings identified as neighborhood nuisances in Harris County.
	<b>Project Name</b>	ESG20 Harris County
	<b>Target Area</b>	

	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Homeless Street Outreach Homeless Emergency and Transitional Housing Homeless Prevention Rapid Re-Housing Homeless Management Information System
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Housing Homelessness
	<b>Funding</b>	ESG: \$1,182,386 Continuum of Care: \$873,778 ESG-CV: \$12,077,076 TIRZ Funds: \$50,000 Texas Veterans Commission: \$300,000
	<b>Description</b>	ESG projects include the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS), two (2) Rapid Re-Housing projects, one (1) homelessness prevention project, two (2) Emergency and Transitional Shelter projects, two (2) street outreach projects, ESG program administration, and unprogrammed ESG funds. ESG-CV and available ESG funds are used to prevent, prepare and/or respond to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and its impacts on people at risk of and experiencing homelessness. Harris County will routinely reevaluate funding decisions throughout the performance and as part of the Community-wide Covid-19 Housing Plan (CCHP) in partnership with the City of Houston and the Coalition for the Homeless. Consistent with the terms are all sub-recipient grant agreements or contracts, Harris County intends to reprogram ESG-CV funding between selected activities or to include additional ESG-CV activities if/when necessary, based on infection control needs and response efforts related to preventing, preparing, and responding to COVID-19. Harris County also submitted a waiver request to HUD in December 2020 for CPD Notice CPD-20-08 Waivers and Alternative Requirements for the Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) Program Under the CARE Act. Specifically, Harris County requested HUD waive the new requirement established by the CPD Notice CPD-20-08, effective September 1, 2020, in Section III, Part E(5)(b)(i) that medium-term rent assistance is established as for more than 3 months but not more than 12 months. Waiving this requirement will re-establish the long-standing flexibility that ESG-CV funds be used for rent assistance for up to 24 months noting that eligible activity expenditures must comply with the stated expenditure deadline of September 30, 2022.



	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Projects will benefit an estimated 2,206 homeless families through proposed direct ESG shelter/service/prevention/outreach/RRH activities. All families with agencies participating in the HMIS system will benefit from the HMIS services and system management provided.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Multiple locations within Harris County to serve homeless persons county-wide. See project profile sheets in the appendix for additional details.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Homeless Management Information System (HMIS)</li> <li>2. Rapid Re-Housing Rental Assistance and case management services</li> <li>3. Emergency and Transitional Shelters and case management services</li> <li>4. Homelessness Prevention</li> <li>5. Street Outreach</li> <li>6. ESG Administration / Unprogrammed Funds</li> <li>7. Services that prevent, prepare for, and respond to the Coronavirus.</li> </ol>
<b>32</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Harris County CSD - Downpayment Assistance Program
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Homeownership for Owners
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Housing
	<b>Funding</b>	HOME: \$1,037,580
	<b>Description</b>	HCCSD will provide down payment assistance, closing costs and principal reduction (if needed by home buyer) to 45 eligible low to moderate-income home buyers in the Harris County Service Area. Project is partially funded through PY2018 funds.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Activity expected to benefit 45 low-to-moderate income families.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Scattered sites dependent upon applications received. County-wide activity.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Financial assistance to eligible households to assist with the purchase of single-family homes.
<b>33</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Harris County CSD - Major Rehabilitation/Reconstruction Program
	<b>Target Area</b>	Cloverleaf Aldine
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Single-family Home Rehabilitation Owners
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Housing

	<b>Funding</b>	HOME: \$1,123,945
	<b>Description</b>	HCCSD will provide eligible households up to \$180,000 of funding in the form of a grant, deferred payment loan, or an interest only deferred loan, to facilitate substantial rehabilitation or reconstruction (including demolition and/or elevation) of up to 6 single family structures owned and occupied by low-income persons for the purpose of Major Rehabilitation/Reconstruction deemed unsafe or severely defective. The project is partially funded with \$400,000 in PY2019 funds.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Up to six (6) low-to-moderate income, senior or disabled families will benefit from this activity.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Scattered sites within Harris County, including the East Aldine and Cloverleaf areas, dependent upon applications received.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Major rehabilitation or reconstruction of owner occupied single-family homes.
<b>34</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	Harris County CSD - Tenant Based Rental Assistance
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Rental Assistance
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Housing
	<b>Funding</b>	HOME: \$713,000
	<b>Description</b>	HCCSD will provide rental assistance and security/utility deposits to homeless and formerly homeless persons in partnership with Harris County Protective Services for Children and Adults who will provide case management.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	Activity will benefit approximately 70 homeless or formerly homeless families.
	<b>Location Description</b>	Scattered site; Countywide activity.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Activities include rental assistance to households and payment of security and/or utility deposits.
<b>35</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	CDBG-CV Precinct2gether, Inc.
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Senior Services (Special Needs Population)
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Services
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG - CV: \$94,746
	<b>Description</b>	Precinct2gether will provide meals for 400 seniors in response to COVID-19 impacts. This project will utilize CDBG funds with the COVID waiver for Public Service projects.

	<b>Target Date</b>	7/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	400 seniors in response to COVID-19 impacts.
	<b>Location Description</b>	East Harris County, Precinct 2
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Precinct2gether will provide meals for 400 seniors.
36	<b>Project Name</b>	CDBG-CV CoC Five Year Strategic Plan Expansion (COVID-19)
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Homeless Prevention
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Homelessness
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG - CV: \$66,000
	<b>Description</b>	This planning project will provide funding for planning efforts to recover from and evaluate the impacts of COVID-19 in the homeless community into The Way Home Continuum of Care's Five-Year Strategic Planning Process and prepare the system for future outbreaks. The Way Home Plan expansion will study the current goals and recommend methods of expanding plan goals, such as in affordable housing, preventing homelessness, strengthening crisis response, and building strong cross-system partnerships, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	The plan will support county-wide efforts.
	<b>Location Description</b>	County-wide
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Develop an updated 5-year Strategic Plan that incorporates the impacts of COVID-19 on the local Continuum of Care.
37	<b>Project Name</b>	CDBG PS COVID WAIVER The Harris Center for Mental Health and IDD-CCHP Behavioral Health Response Team
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	General Public Services
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Services
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$900,000
	<b>Description</b>	The Harris Center for Mental Health and IDD will provide comprehensive behavioral health supports to help (60) unduplicated persons per year who are housed through the Community-wide COVID-19 Housing Program (CCHP) remain stably housed. The sub-recipient will utilize PY2019 CDBG funds along with CDBG-CV funds. HCCSD will apply the public service waiver for public service projects.

	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2022
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	This project will assist (60) unduplicated persons with mental health needs.
	<b>Location Description</b>	This project is County-wide.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Provide mental health services to formerly homeless CCHP assisted households to remain stably housed.
<b>38</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	CDBG PS COVID WAIVER Career and Recovery Resources, Inc.- CCHP Bridge to PSH-Case Management
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Homeless Prevention General Public Services
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Housing Homelessness
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$562,848
	<b>Description</b>	Career and Recovery Resources, Inc., as part of the Community-wide COVID-19 Housing Program, will provide Bridge to Permanent Supportive Housing case management services to one hundred (100) unduplicated households in New Hope Bridge to Permanent Supportive Housing program. Case Management services will include connection to behavioral health services, employment services, substance abuse services, and referral to resources to assist with basic hygiene, food, and health supplies.
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2022
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	This project will support 100 households.
	<b>Location Description</b>	This project is County-wide; Career and Recovery Resources, Inc., is part of the Community-wide COVID-19 Housing Program.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	
<b>39</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	CDBG PS COVID WAIVER The Salvation Army of Greater Houston- CCHP Bridge to PSH (Related C2020-053)
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Homeless Prevention
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Homelessness
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$1,969,839

	<b>Description</b>	The Salvation Army of Greater Houston, as part of the Community-wide COVID-19 Housing Program, will provide Bridge to Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) case management and navigation services to three hundred (300) unduplicated households receiving rental assistance with ESG-CV2 funding (C2020-031k). Case management and navigation services will include housing search and placement, connections to mainstream benefits and community resources, connections to health care, including interventions for mental health crises, substance use disorder and general healthcare needs, life skills, food support, affordable childcare, peer support groups and community involvement and support.
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2022
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	This project will serve 300 unduplicated households.
	<b>Location Description</b>	This project is County-wide.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	The primary purpose of this project is to provide permanent supportive housing to homeless households.
40	<b>Project Name</b>	CDBG-CV The Beacon- CCHP Bridge to PSH- Navigation (COVID-19)
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Homeless Emergency and Transitional Housing Homeless Prevention
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Housing Homelessness
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG - CV: \$478,564
	<b>Description</b>	The Beacon of Downtown Houston, as part of the Community-wide COVID-19 Housing Program, will provide Bridge to Permanent Supportive Housing navigation services to one hundred forty-five (145) unduplicated households to assist them from moving from literal homelessness into safe housing. Navigation services will include housing search and placement, assisting with completing housing program enrollment, and advocacy for clients during the housing search and placement process.
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2022
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	This project will assist 145 unduplicated households.
	<b>Location Description</b>	This project is County-wide; the Beacon of Downtown Houston is part of the Community-wide COVID-19 Housing Program.

	<b>Planned Activities</b>	This project will provide navigation services to one hundred forty-five (145) unduplicated households.
<b>41</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	CDBG-CV BakerRipley- CCHP Diversion Case Management (COVID-19)
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Homeless Prevention
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Homelessness
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG - CV: \$161,438
	<b>Description</b>	BakerRipley, as part of the Community-wide COVID-19 Housing Program, will provide Diversion case management services to prevent homelessness to seven hundred (700) unduplicated households. Diversion case management services will include connecting clients with community resources and family supports, providing housing search and placement services, and engaging in creative problem-solving conversations with clients to help quickly identify and access safe alternatives to an emergency shelter.
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2022
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	This project will provide Diversion case management services to prevent homelessness to seven hundred (700) unduplicated households.
	<b>Location Description</b>	This project is County-wide; BakerRipley is part of the Community-wide COVID-19 Housing Program
<b>42</b>	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Diversion case management services will include connecting clients with community resources and family supports; providing housing search and placement services; and engaging in creative problem-solving conversations with clients to help quickly identify and access safe alternatives to emergency shelter.
	<b>Project Name</b>	CDBG-CV The Salvation Army of Greater Houston- CCHP Diversion Case Management (COVID-19)
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Homeless Prevention
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Homelessness
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG - CV: \$260,000

	<b>Description</b>	The Salvation Army of Greater Houston, as part of the Community-wide COVID-19 Housing Program, will provide Diversion case management services to prevent homelessness in one thousand (1,000) unduplicated households using CDBG-CV funding (C2020-042) and ESG-CV1 funding (C2020-031m). Diversion case management services will include connecting clients with community resources and family supports; providing housing search and placement services; and developing tailored community-based service plans that will move households in crises to a higher level of stability.
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2022
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	This project is estimated to assist 1,000 households.
	<b>Location Description</b>	This project is County-wide; the Salvation Army is part of the Community-wide COVID-19 Housing Program.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Diversion case management services will include connecting clients with community resources and family supports; providing housing search and placement services; and developing tailored community-based service plans that will move households in crises to a higher level of stability.
<b>43</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	HCCSD- Single Family Affordable Housing Programs
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Single-family Home Rehabilitation Owners
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Housing
	<b>Funding</b>	HOME: \$800,000
	<b>Description</b>	HCCSD will construct or reconstruct four single-family homes to support the Harris County CDBG-DR Single-Family New Construction Program and the Homeowner Assistance Program that will replace affordable single-family housing stock for those affected by disasters impacting Harris County through the development of housing with reduced risk of flooding by new construction or reconstruction and elevation if in floodplains/wetland. The project is funded with PY2018 funds.
	<b>Target Date</b>	11/30/2022
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	The project will assist at least four households.
	<b>Location Description</b>	This project is County-wide.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Support new construction/reconstruction and replace affordable single-family housing stock for those affected by disasters impacting Harris County.

44	<b>Project Name</b>	CDBG-CV HCCSD Affordable Housing Study (COVID-19)
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	General Public Services
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Housing
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG - CV: \$398,344
	<b>Description</b>	Harris County will use its CDBG-CV admin funding to study the effects of and recovery from COVID-19 on the housing system in Harris County and make recommendations for preparedness and response to future outbreaks. The study will support and inform housing-related planning and future capacity building in neighborhoods and communities hard hit by COVID-19.
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2022
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	N/A
	<b>Location Description</b>	County-wide
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Housing study under CBDG-CV
45	<b>Project Name</b>	CDBG20 MUD 148 Lift Station #2 Improvements (Phase 2)
	<b>Target Area</b>	Greensbrook-Verde Forest
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Water/Sewer Improvements
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Infrastructure
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$554,226
	<b>Description</b>	MUD #148 will assist residents of Greensbrook by performing improvements to increase the capacity of the existing Lift Station No. 2. This project will allow the lift station to serve residents living in Greensbrook Section 1 and future surrounding developments. This will allow the District to meet the demands associated with population growth.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2022
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	This project will assist approximately 4,635 persons living in the Greensbrook area.
	<b>Location Description</b>	0 Ralston Road (~NW of Ralston Road & Greensbrook Forest Drive Intersection); Precinct 1
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	This project will allow the construction of a lift station to meet population growth.
46	<b>Project Name</b>	CDBG20 Castlewood Drainage Improvements
	<b>Target Area</b>	Aldine
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Water/Sewer Improvements
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Infrastructure
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG: \$1,211,744



	<b>Description</b>	Harris County Engineering Department will perform drainage improvements by replacing approximately 2.9 miles of asphalt roads and ditches with concrete curb and gutters that include: underground storm sewer out falling into HCFCF Channel P138-01-00, easements, sidewalks, waterlines, and sanitary sewer relocation/improvements benefitting the Castlewood Subdivision. This project will use \$454,757.52 in PY2019 CDBG funds.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2022
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	This project will assist approximately 1,060 households.
	<b>Location Description</b>	This project will benefit residents in the Castlewood subdivision within Precinct 2.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	This project will construct approximately 2.9 miles of asphalt roads and ditches with concrete curb and gutters.
47	<b>Project Name</b>	CDBG-CV Career and Recovery Income Support
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Homeless Prevention General Public Services
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Homelessness Public Services
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG - CV: \$1,995,977
	<b>Description</b>	As part of the Community-wide COVID-19 Housing Program (CCHP), Career and Recovery Resources, Inc., will provide income support through the two activities listed below to 500 individuals receiving housing assistance through the CCHP to ensure housing stability. Career and Recovery Resources, Inc. will provide services under two activities: Activity 1: case management and Activity 2: employment/career counseling and follow-up through job placement to increase clients' income and ensure housing stability.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2022
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	This project will assist 500 at risk of homelessness.
	<b>Location Description</b>	This project is County-wide; Career and Recovery Resources, Inc. is part of the Community-wide COVID-19 Housing Program.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	This project will provide services under two activities: Activity 1: case management and Activity 2: employment/career counseling and follow-up through job placement to increase clients' income and ensure housing stability.

48	<b>Project Name</b>	CDBG-CV CCHP-Harris Center @ Dennis Street (COVID-19)
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Homeless Prevention
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Homelessness
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG - CV: \$1,716,010
	<b>Description</b>	The Harris Center for Mental Health and IDD, as part of the Community-wide COVID-19 Housing Program (CCHP), will provide residential rehabilitation services to (24) homeless individuals who are assisted through CCHP to secure transition to access permanent housing options. Rehabilitation services will include mental health screenings and treatment, Social Security Disability application assistance, substance abuse treatment, employment services, transportation, and comprehensive case management.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2022
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	This project will support 24 individuals.
	<b>Location Description</b>	This project is County-wide; the Harris Center for Mental Health and IDD is part of the Community-wide COVID-19 Housing Program.
49	<b>Planned Activities</b>	The services in this project will include, mental health screenings and treatment, Social Security Disability application assistance, substance abuse treatment, employment services, transportation, and comprehensive case management.
	<b>Project Name</b>	CDBG-CV Harris County Comprehensive Eviction Prevention and Rental Housing Program
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Rental Assistance Homeless Prevention
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Housing
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG - CV: \$4,000,000
	<b>Description</b>	HCCSD, as part of the community-wide effort to respond to COVID-19 and its acute negative impact on financial and housing stability, will provide short-term emergency rental/mortgage payments and housing stability services including, but not limited to housing counseling, landlord incentives, and utility payments through a network of organizations designated to prevent the onset of homelessness. The project will serve (1,200) individuals and families at the highest risk of eviction due to loss of income, unemployment, and health issues resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic.

	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2022
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	HCCSD estimates this project will assist 1,200 individuals and families.
	<b>Location Description</b>	This project is County-wide.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	This project will provide subsistence payments and support for individuals and families.
<b>50</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	CDBG-CV HC CSD Preparedness/Prevention/Response Solutions
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Homeless Prevention
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Homelessness
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG - CV: \$1,190,000
	<b>Description</b>	The CDBG-CV Preparedness/Prevention/Response Solutions Program will provide educational and legal services to the Landlord and Tenant. The focus will be on determining the best solutions to real-life issues between tenant and Landlord as it relates to responding to COVID-19 crises that endanger housing stability for those negatively impacted by COVID-19. Services will include, but not limited to, sample letters, forms and brochures on most major topics surrounding how to maintain housing through the COVID-19 pandemic, lease screening services, informative presentations and workshops on eviction prevention strategies.
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/1/2022
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	The project will support 120 households.
	<b>Location Description</b>	The project is County-wide.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	The project will focus on determining the best solutions to real-life issues between tenant and Landlord as it relates to responding to COVID-19 crises that endanger housing stability for those negatively impacted by COVID-19.
<b>51</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	CDBG-CV HC CSD- Housing Stability Case Management COVID Expansion (Related C2020-008)
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Homeless Prevention
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Homelessness
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG - CV: \$3,700,000

	<b>Description</b>	The HCCSD Office of Social Services will provide housing stability case management services to (2,000) homeless individuals who have been identified as receiving a Houston Housing Authority Housing Choice Voucher by the end of the project year which is February 28, 2021. Services will be administered from the Office of Social Services located at 9418 Jensen Drive, Houston, TX, 77093. This project is related to C2020-008, with expanded CARES Act funding to prevent, prepare, and respond to COVID-19. Case management includes direct assistance in the form of rent subsidies.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	This project will serve 2,000 homeless individuals.
	<b>Location Description</b>	This project is County-wide.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	This project will provide housing stability case management services.
<b>52</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	CDBG-CV Interfaith Ministries for Greater Houston- Meals on Wheels (Related C2020-017)
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Senior Services (Special Needs Population)
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Services
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG - CV: \$126,000
	<b>Description</b>	The Meals on Wheels for Greater Houston program provides seniors with adequate daily nutrition and support through the home-delivery of nutritious hot and frozen meals, weekend meals, and breakfast meals. The Harris County CDBG funds will be used to provide case assessments to (250) homebound seniors to ensure that staff is aware of all nutritional and non-nutritional needs of these seniors. This project is related to C2020-017, with expanded CARES Act funding to prevent, prepare, and respond to COVID-19.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	This project will serve 250 homebound seniors.
	<b>Location Description</b>	This project is County-wide.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	This project will provide case assessments to homebound seniors to ensure that staff is aware of all nutritional and non-nutritional needs of these seniors
<b>53</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	CDBG-CV Northwest Assistance Ministries - Case Work for Meals on Wheels Program (Related C2020-018)

	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Senior Services (Special Needs Population)
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Public Services
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG - CV: \$30,930
	<b>Description</b>	NAM's MOW Program will provide case assessment and direct assistance, which includes daily meals and daily volunteer contact, to (50) home-bound senior citizens. This project is related to C2020-018, with expanded CARES Act funding to prevent, prepare, and respond to COVID-19.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	This project will provide services to 50 homebound senior citizens.
	<b>Location Description</b>	This project is County-wide.
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	This project will provide case assessment and direct assistance, which includes daily meals and daily volunteer contact.
<b>54</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	CDBG-CV The Salvation Army of Greater Houston-CCHP Bridge to PSH (COVID-19) (Related C2020-0039)
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	Homeless Prevention
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	Homelessness
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG - CV: \$900,000
	<b>Description</b>	The Salvation Army of Greater Houston, as part of the Community-wide COVID-19 Housing Program, will provide Bridge to Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) case management and navigation services to three hundred (300) unduplicated households receiving rental assistance with ESG-CV2 funding (C2020-031k). Case management and navigation services will include housing search and placement, connections to mainstream benefits and community resources, connections to health care, including interventions for mental health crises, substance use disorder and general healthcare needs, life skills, food support, affordable childcare, peer support groups and community involvement and support. This project is related to C2020-039, with expanded CARES Act funding to prevent, prepare, and respond to COVID-19.
	<b>Target Date</b>	9/30/2022
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	this project will benefit 300 households.
	<b>Location Description</b>	This project is County-wide.

	<b>Planned Activities</b>	This project will provide Bridge to Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) case management and navigation services.
55	<b>Project Name</b>	CDBG-CV Administration
	<b>Target Area</b>	
	<b>Goals Supported</b>	
	<b>Needs Addressed</b>	
	<b>Funding</b>	CDBG - CV: \$3,199,072
	<b>Description</b>	This project is for program administration.
	<b>Target Date</b>	2/28/2021
	<b>Estimate the number and type of families that will benefit from the proposed activities</b>	N/A
	<b>Location Description</b>	N/A
	<b>Planned Activities</b>	Harris County CDBG CDBG-CV (HUD CARES Act for Rounds 1* and 3) funds for program administration/ planning efforts.

## **AP-50 Geographic Distribution – 91.220(f)**

### **Description of the geographic areas of the entitlement (including areas of low-income and minority concentration) where assistance will be directed**

Harris County does not use geographic target areas as a basis for providing funding, but requests that all proposals submitted through the annual Request for Proposals process identify the geographic boundaries and specific target areas each project will serve. For PY2020, Harris County has a total of 12 cooperative cities and a total of sixty-five (65) named target areas.

Many projects will provide assistance to residents throughout the Harris County Service Area, though some target areas will receive funding for services specifically for that area. The majority of this targeted funding will be in the Northern and Eastern portions of the Harris County service area. These areas are low-to-moderate income communities with a high concentration of minorities and poverty. The areas have strong existing neighborhoods but are in need of revitalization assistance for aging infrastructure or lack of existing infrastructure and to improve local community amenities. In four of these areas, HCCSD staff has worked with the local community to identify specific revitalization goals.

### **Geographic Distribution**

<b>Target Area</b>	<b>Percentage of Funds</b>
Cloverleaf	
Aldine	
Bammel	
Barrett station	
Bordersville	
Bough-Lincoln Green	
Champions Point	
Channelview	
Clear Creek	
Crosby	
El Dorado	
Galena Park	
Granada	
Greenbranch-Gatewood	
Greensbrook-Verde Forest	
Humble	
Jacinto City	
Katy	
La Porte	
Linus	
Maple	
Marwood-DeZavalla	
McNair	
Northington-Kenwood	

Target Area	Percentage of Funds
Oakhollow	
Ranch Country	
Riverwood	
Sherwood Place	
South Houston	
Tomball	
Wayforest	
Webster	
Airline	
Deer Park 1	
Alief 6	
Braeburn Gardens	
Breen	
College Park	
Copperfield	
Cypress Valley-Northpark	
Danish	
Deer Trails	
Emerald Forest	
Fairbanks Railway	
Grant Mills	
Highlands	
Kleinwood	
McDougle	
Mercer	
Normandy Crossing	
North Belt	
Parkway	
Pine Trails	
Seabrook	
Sheldon	
Waterford	
Westborough	
Westpark	
Windfern	
Deer Park 2	

**Table 8 - Geographic Distribution**



**Rationale for the priorities for allocating investments geographically**

Harris County does not prescribe a specific percentage of funding to target areas; however, during the competitive Request for Proposals process target areas have access to apply for funding along with Low-to-Moderate Income Clientele facilities or organizations. Harris County has identified target areas within the county that have 51% or greater low- to moderate-income population and that have aging infrastructure. These target areas are priorities for infrastructure and neighborhood facilities funding. Harris County will continue to fund priorities identified in the Strategic Plan and adjust funding annually to ensure that priority goals are met.

**Discussion**

The County is mindful of the location of services and seeks to ensure equitable distribution of funding to serve families in need across the County. Target areas have been identified that are 51% or greater LMI population and are in need of revitalization efforts. The county allocates funding based on priorities identified in its Consolidated Plan and proposals submitted in its annual Request for Proposals process.

## Affordable Housing

### AP-55 Affordable Housing – 91.220(g)

#### Introduction

The lack of quality, affordable housing choices can be an impediment to fair housing. To foster decent, safe, affordable housing, and ensure residents have equal access to the housing of their choice, Harris County will continue to collaborate and partner with local non-profit housing developers, for-profit builders, the Harris County Housing Authority and the residents of Harris County to measure the needs, discuss the issues and find solutions to problems of the county's housing market. Through these programs Harris County will work to foster and maintain decent and affordable housing for low-income residents of Harris County through homeownership, rehabilitation/reconstruction programs, and new construction projects.

One Year Goals for the Number of Households to be Supported	
Homeless	230
Non-Homeless	71
Special-Needs	43
Total	344

**Table 9 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Requirement**

One Year Goals for the Number of Households Supported Through	
Rental Assistance	230
The Production of New Units	0
Rehab of Existing Units	69
Acquisition of Existing Units	45
Total	344

**Table 10 - One Year Goals for Affordable Housing by Support Type**

#### Discussion

During PY2020, Harris County anticipates providing 344 households assistance to address barriers to affordable housing. These may include accessibility, adequacy, services and long term affordability. Approximately 230 households will receive rental assistance to ensure rapid transition from homelessness into permanent housing including services for housing stability case management. Through down-payment assistance, rehab/reconstruction of eligible single-family residences, and lead-based paint abatement HCCSD expects to assist 71 low-income families in achieving homeownership or improving the quality of their housing. HCCSD also expects to repair and improve accessibility or safety of existing single-family homes for 43 special needs low-income households including elderly and/or disabled persons.

## **AP-60 Public Housing – 91.220(h)**

### **Introduction**

The Harris County Housing Authority (HCHA) does not own public housing projects but partners with developers to sponsor properties that provide affordable housing opportunities. As of this Action Plan, HCHA has partnered in eight multi-family housing developments over the past 10 years. HCHA also supplies housing choice vouchers to assist low income residents of Harris County accessing affordable housing options throughout the county.

During PY2019, Harris County has worked with HCHA to discuss the need for additional affordable rental housing units utilizing the county's CDBG-DR funding. HCHA is currently developing four properties in partnership with developers using CDBG-DR funds. A fifth CDBG-DR project is under development in partnership with the Houston Housing Authority (HHA).

### **Actions planned during the next year to address the needs to public housing**

Currently HCHA has four multi-family developments in its construction pipeline with one under construction. HCHA also provides 3,901 housing choice vouchers (HCV) and 608 Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing Vouchers (VASH) annually and will continue the HCV and VASH programs in PY2019. Harris County Community Services Department and the Housing Authority have a formal partnership to link eligible HCHA residents to the Community Services Department's Downpayment Assistance Program (DAP). Eligible HCHA voucher recipients can use their voucher as a source of income applied to their mortgage payment while HCCSD's DAP assists with a downpayment on a single-family home allowing voucher recipients to become homebuyers. During PY2016, HCCSD DAP assisted six (6) housing choice voucher clients to convert from rental to homeownership. Harris County Community Services Department will continue to collaborate and partner with the Harris County Housing Authority to evaluate the needs of low income residents, discuss the issues they face and find solutions to problems of the Harris County permanent housing market.

### **Actions to encourage public housing residents to become more involved in management and participate in homeownership**

The Harris County Housing Authority does not own or operate public housing facilities but partners with developers to sponsor properties that provide affordable housing opportunities. HCHA utilizes a third party management company to operate properties. Residents are asked to participate in property management by providing feedback through surveys and meetings. HCCSD will continue working with the Harris County Housing Authority to identify if there are current or future opportunities for similar programs that solicit resident feedback for management of properties. HCCSD will continue to work HCV recipients through its DAP program to convert recipient household from rental to homeownership.

### **If the PHA is designated as troubled, describe the manner in which financial assistance will be provided or other assistance**

Not Applicable

### **Discussion**

The Harris County Housing Authority has established a leadership and management team that continues to evaluate the agency's priorities and move forward with addressing the housing needs of county residents. Harris County Community Services Department plans to continue its partnership with the

Housing Authority and support new initiatives through seeking potential partnerships for downpayment assistance, development of additional affordable multifamily projects and other grant opportunities that arise.

## **AP-65 Homeless and Other Special Needs Activities – 91.220(i)**

### **Introduction**

Harris County has worked with the Coalition for the Homeless of Houston/Harris County, as well as other entitlement grantees receiving ESG funding throughout the community, to align priorities and funding across the continuum for programs addressing the needs of Harris County residents experiencing or at risk of homelessness.

### **Describe the jurisdictions one-year goals and actions for reducing and ending homelessness including Reaching out to homeless persons (especially unsheltered persons) and assessing their individual needs**

Harris County is funding Covenant House Texas for a sixth year to continue providing street outreach to homeless youth, ages 18-21, which will address youths' needs for food, clothing, shelter, service information, referrals to other service providers, and follow-up support. Harris County is also funding H.O.P.E. Haven to perform street outreach efforts in unincorporated Harris County and assist homeless individuals by performing assessments, providing for basic needs and referrals to available housing resources.

### **Addressing the emergency shelter and transitional housing needs of homeless persons**

Harris County is funding two emergency shelter projects with ESG funds for \$116,836. Both projects will provide services to persons or families fleeing domestic violence. These agencies will provide overnight shelter for approximately 575 homeless persons.

### **Helping homeless persons (especially chronically homeless individuals and families, families with children, veterans and their families, and unaccompanied youth) make the transition to permanent housing and independent living, including shortening the period of time that individuals and families experience homelessness, facilitating access for homeless individuals and families to affordable housing units, and preventing individuals and families who were recently homeless from becoming homeless again**

Harris County is a member of the Houston/Harris County Continuum of Care (CoC). The CoC developed and adopted the community plan, The Way Home, which sets a path to end all homelessness. For the CoC, one of the ways to end homelessness includes expanding the use and effectiveness of rapid re-housing. Harris County has come together with other entitlement communities within the CoC to form a rapid re-housing funders collaborative which changed the way the CoC funds and delivers rapid re-housing services. Funds are aligned and service delivery is standardized through the Case Management Intermediary and Financial Assistance Intermediary. The re-designed rapid re-housing system is intended to reduce the length of shelter stays and provide housing with intensive short-term assistance and connections to resources for long-term stability. Harris County will provide \$647,839 of ESG funds for rapid re-housing activities for households experiencing homelessness. A portion of funding will go towards the provision of case management services only. The remaining funding will be used for financial assistance. Harris County will also provide \$534,043 to assist chronically homeless persons being served by HCCSD Housing Stability Case Management by HCCSD Social Services and HCCSD's Housing Stability Case Management through SEARCH. These projects provide housing stability case management services to 90 households receiving housing choice vouchers from the Houston Housing Authority and 78

households in the Northline CoC Scattered Site Project.

**Helping low-income individuals and families avoid becoming homeless, especially extremely low-income individuals and families and those who are: being discharged from publicly funded institutions and systems of care (such as health care facilities, mental health facilities, foster care and other youth facilities, and corrections programs and institutions); or, receiving assistance from public or private agencies that address housing, health, social services, employment, education, or youth needs.**

For PY2020, \$39,503 is allocated for homelessness prevention activities by HCCSD's Social Services. This compliments other homelessness prevention services offered at Harris County and local agencies through other funding sources as they are available. Harris County's award of \$300,000 of Fund for Veterans Assistance funding from the Texas Veterans Commission is one example that will support homelessness prevention to veterans. The General Assistance Grant offers one-time rental and one-time utility assistance payments to veteran households in an effort to preclude them from needing true homelessness prevention services. The Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP) grant, also operated by HCCSD Social Services, provides one-time rental assistance and one-time utility assistance to eligible county residents to further reduce the need for true homelessness prevention services.

## **Discussion**

Harris County operates the Hay Center which assists youth transitioning out of foster care with services and rental assistance. The county continues to work closely with the Coalition for the Homeless and other ESG grantees within the CoC to develop continuum wide strategies to end and prevent homelessness for the region's most vulnerable populations. As part of the strategy, Harris County Community Services Department requires all agencies providing services with HCCSD ESG funds to participate in HMIS and the Coordinated Access System, which uses a common assessment tool to ensure the most vulnerable populations receive prioritization and are matched to appropriate housing interventions.

## **AP-75 Barriers to affordable housing – 91.220(j)**

### **Introduction:**

Harris County Community Services Department is committed to affirmatively furthering fair housing and overcoming identified barriers to affordable housing. These efforts have resulted in the creation of the a Fair Housing Plan, development of specific goals and objectives to overcome barriers to affordable housing and support for projects that counter the negative effects of public policies.

### **Actions it planned to remove or ameliorate the negative effects of public policies that serve as barriers to affordable housing such as land use controls, tax policies affecting land, zoning ordinances, building codes, fees and charges, growth limitations, and policies affecting the return on residential investment**

Harris County, limited in authority by State law, cannot create land-use controls or zoning ordinances beyond those areas of health and safety prescribed to it under the Texas Government Code. The county has developed Affordable Housing Standards to comply with HUD requirements and promote improved building standards and high-quality construction.

Harris County Community Services Department (HCCSD) has 4 projects in the PY2020 Annual Action Plan that work to ameliorate the negative effects of public policies. The projects are as follows: Harris County Community Services Department Downpayment Assistance Program (DAP) will serve 45 households, HCCSD Health and Safety Home Repair Program to serve 8 households, HCCSD Minor Home Repair Program will serve 35 households and the HCCSD Major Rehab/Reconstruction Program will serve 6 households.

Additionally, HCCSD has completed and updated the county's Fair Housing Plan, part of the PY2019-2023 Consolidated Plan process, which has identified barriers to affordable housing and strategies to overcome these barriers. Information about the Fair Housing Plan is included as an appendix to the Annual Action Plan and contains a list of local fair housing enforcement contacts. HCCSD staff has also completed multiple fair housing trainings offered by HUD, community organizations and affordable housing advocates in the region.

### **Discussion:**

HCCSD has developed specific goals and objectives that address the housing needs of low- to moderate-income populations within the county's service area. These housing goals are aimed at creating the opportunity for adequate, affordable, accessible housing for extremely low-, very low-, and low-income persons through eventual elimination of lead based paint hazards, encouragement of homeownership, minor home repair, rehabilitation/reconstruction of single-family housing, rehabilitation of multi-family housing, provision of rental assistance, new construction, and development of partnerships. In its PY2019-2023 Fair Housing Plan that is part of the Consolidated Plan, HCCSD identifies possible barriers to housing choice and affordable housing which are in violation of the Fair Housing Act and strategies to overcome these barriers. With all projects selected for funding, Harris County places a high priority on projects serving seniors and persons with disabilities.

## **AP-85 Other Actions – 91.220(k)**

### **Introduction:**

Harris County will fund projects in PY2020 that meet the needs of the underserved through public services and community infrastructure improvements, will improve and maintain affordable housing, prevent homelessness for extremely low-income families, reduce lead-based paint hazards, eliminate neighborhood nuisances and increase coordination among public and private housing and social service agencies.

### **Actions planned to address obstacles to meeting underserved needs**

Harris County Community Services Department selected 37 projects in the areas of housing, homelessness, infrastructure, public services and other to address the varying needs of the underserved. The Community Services Department (CSD) will continue working with the Harris County Engineering Department (HCED), Harris County Public Health (HCPH), Harris County Public Library, local non-profits as well as the County Commissioners' Precincts on projects. Efforts with the Engineering Department will continue in order to develop and implement strategies to address the capital improvement efforts in the County's underserved areas. CSD will fund and coordinate infrastructure improvement activities with Fresh Water Supply Districts (FWSD), Municipal Utility Districts (MUD) and Water Control & Improvement Districts (WCID) that serve target area and low-to-moderate income populations.

Coordination with Public Health and community healthcare providers will continue to provide much-needed health care services to low-income residents of Harris County. The Community Services Department and other county departments or active social groups with a focus on community development will continue to meet with residents, especially in the communities participating in neighborhood revitalization programs, to ascertain the needs and desires for clinics, libraries, community centers and other county facilities within those communities. HCCSD will also continue to work with the Commissioners' Precincts to provide funding to implement community development projects and social service programs.

Harris County will support non-profit organizations, Community Development Corporations (CDCs), Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs) and Community-Based Development Organizations (CBDOs) that serve low-to-moderate income, socially vulnerable, and under-served populations in the county. HCCSD will actively recruit eligible organizations to become CHDOs and CBDOs. In addition, the department will continue to offer regulatory training to these organizations in order to ensure a better understanding of CDBG, ESG, HOME and Fair Housing rules.

Harris County will support the Harris County Housing Authority's efforts to expand the availability and choice of affordable housing units to county residents. The county will also continue to coordinate with the Houston Housing Authority on efforts to provide rental assistance to prioritized groups of eligible county residents, such as homeless and youth aging out of foster care.

### **Actions planned to foster and maintain affordable housing**

The lack of quality affordable housing choice can be an impediment to fair housing. Issues such as the continued rise of average monthly rents while wages remain relatively stagnant or when wages have been completely lost are a challenge. The recent impacts of Hurricane Harvey have resulted in a regional increase in demand for rental housing and to further raise average monthly rents. To foster decent, safe,



and affordable housing, Harris County will continue to collaborate and partner with local non-profit housing developers, for-profit builders, the Harris County Housing Authority and the residents of Harris County to measure the needs, discuss the issues and find solutions to problems of the Harris County housing market. Harris County will work to foster and maintain decent and affordable housing for low-income residents of Harris County through homeownership, rehabilitation/reconstruction programs, and new construction projects. It will also continue efforts under the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) of acquiring, improving and reselling affordable homes to qualified homebuyers.

#### **Actions planned to reduce lead-based paint hazards**

To reduce lead-based paint hazards, Harris County Community Services Department will fund Harris County Public Health's PY2020 Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Program Project. The program will reduce lead-based paint hazards in an additional 20 single-family, residential homeowner housing units in Harris County during PY2020. Project activities include community outreach and education, blood lead testing, program coordination with medical institutions, relocation, risk assessment, lead safe work project design and oversight, and lead clearance testing.

#### **Actions planned to reduce the number of poverty-level families**

Many Harris County residents are currently living at or below the federal poverty level, with many being homeless or at risk of becoming homeless because of insufficient income. There is a great need among these individuals to expand their opportunities for education and employment, thus improving their quality of living. The Annual Action Plan's activities support the Consolidated Plan's comprehensive collection of goals, programs, and policies which work to reduce the number of poverty-level families, develop affordable housing, and coordinate with other programs and services to increase education and economic opportunities. Harris County has joined with other local jurisdictions and the Coalition for the Homeless to develop housing programs with wrap-around case management services. These programs seek to assist homeless and extremely vulnerable families through increased income and stabilization. These programs include but are not limited to HCCSD's Social Services chronic and rapid re-housing case management activities, veterans services office, transportation programs, support for affordable housing developments, home repair/reconstruction programs and homeownership assistance programs.

#### **Actions planned to develop institutional structure**

HCCSD would like to build upon the existing partnerships with organizations such as the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA) and the Texas General Land Office (GLO), as well as create new partnerships with public, private, non-profit, philanthropic, and non-profit organizations. With respect to specific gaps, HCCSD will continue to research and develop a linking of services between institutions such as jails, mental health institutions, foster care, etc., and programs such as The Way Home (homeless system) and Hay Center (services for youth exiting the foster care system). With the continued uncertainty of public support dollars, HCCSD has been and will continue to expand its partnership with private funding foundations in the community and coordinating funding systems. Harris County along with its partners in the regional homeless system have made great strides in closing gaps in service in the Rapid Re-Housing Program by coordinating with housing providers but additional work is needed.

#### **Actions planned to enhance coordination between public and private housing and social service agencies**

Harris County will continue to support non-profit organizations, Community Development Corporations (CDCs), Community Housing Development Organizations (CHDOs) and Community-Based Development

Organizations (CBDOs). The Department will actively recruit eligible organizations to become CHDOs and CBDOs. In addition, the department will continue to offer regulatory training to these organizations in order to ensure a better understanding of CDBG, ESG, HOME and Fair Housing rules.

The Harris County Housing and Community Resource Center (HCRC) provides unique coordination opportunities for local multifamily housing providers and the public via a website that provides updated listings of the available rental units, links to community homeownership programs that seeking assist first-time homebuyers, and provides information on fair housing issues and resources. In addition to the website, the HCRC has a phone line to access Resource Navigators that provide one-on-one services for those seeking housing, financial assistance and other community resources.

Harris County also works closely with the City of Houston, Harris County Housing Authority and the Houston Housing Authority to coordinate funding and other resources to develop affordable housing, particularly permanent supportive housing (PSH). Harris County also works the Coalition for the Homeless, the Continuum of Care, local non-profits and the Houston Housing Authority as part of the rapid re-housing funding collaborative.

#### **Discussion:**

Harris County Community Services Department addresses these needs through project funding, but supplements projects with other services to provide resources for low income residents and neighborhoods. These include:

The Housing and Community Resource Center, a virtual gateway to affordable housing and community resources throughout Harris County with updated housing listings provided by the Harris County Housing Authority, the local real estate community and our own neighborhood stabilization program for first time homeowners called H.O.M.E. (Home Ownership Made Easy).

Coordination efforts with the Coalition for the Homeless of Houston/Harris County to streamline the funding and service models for improved efficiency of funds and staff time while working to assist more clients in need. The Coalition also works to with philanthropic organizations to bring in private funding to further leverage local, state and federal funding, including funding received from Harris County.

The Harris County Housing Finance Corporation (HCHFC) works with Harris County to provide financing opportunities to affordable housing providers. Their actions support the creation of new single and multi-family housing units as well as homebuyer programs, which serve to expand the supply of affordable housing units in the county.

Several times a year, Harris County provides information and training opportunities to county staff, housing providers, non-profits, financial institutions and other interested parties on topics such as grants, fair housing and social service programs. The information is provided via emails to over 500 registered organizations, postings on HCCSD's website, and through trainings and conferences.

## Program Specific Requirements

### AP-90 Program Specific Requirements – 91.220(I)(1,2,4)

#### Introduction:

Harris County continuously works to comply with all program specific requirements for CDBG, HOME and ESG Programs. In addition, the department will continue to offer technical assistance to subrecipient organizations in order to ensure a better understanding of program specific CDBG, ESG and HOME rules.

#### Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG)

##### Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(1)

Projects planned with all CDBG funds expected to be available during the year are identified in the Projects Table. The following identifies program income that is available for use that is included in projects to be carried out.

1. The total amount of program income that will have been received before the start of the next program year and that has not yet been reprogrammed	12,400
2. The amount of proceeds from section 108 loan guarantees that will be used during the year to address the priority needs and specific objectives identified in the grantee's strategic plan.	0
3. The amount of surplus funds from urban renewal settlements	0
4. The amount of any grant funds returned to the line of credit for which the planned use has not been included in a prior statement or plan	0
5. The amount of income from float-funded activities	0
<b>Total Program Income:</b>	<b>12,400</b>

#### Other CDBG Requirements

1. The amount of urgent need activities	0
2. The estimated percentage of CDBG funds that will be used for activities that benefit persons of low and moderate income. Overall Benefit - A consecutive period of one, two or three years may be used to determine that a minimum overall benefit of 70% of CDBG funds is used to benefit persons of low and moderate income. Specify the years covered that include this Annual Action Plan.	99.02%

#### HOME Investment Partnership Program (HOME)

##### Reference 24 CFR 91.220(I)(2)

1. A description of other forms of investment being used beyond those identified in Section 92.205 is as follows:

The Harris County Downpayment Assistance Program (DAP) assists eligible, low-income Harris County residents in attaining affordable housing by providing financial assistance for downpayment and closing cost assistance. Funds for assistance are made available as deferred forgivable loans. Harris County utilizes HOME affordable homeownership limits for our area released annually by HUD. The Downpayment Assistance Program utilizes recapture for this HOME funded program as required by 24 CFR 92.254(a).

2. A description of the guidelines that will be used for resale or recapture of HOME funds when used for homebuyer activities as required in 92.254, is as follows:

Harris County's homebuyer programs are designed to assist eligible, low-income applicants to purchase decent, safe, and sanitary housing with financial assistance for downpayment, closing cost, and mortgage assistance. These funds for assistance (which constitute the "direct HOME subsidy") are made available in the form of deferred and forgivable loans. Deferred and forgivable loans are loans that do not need to be repaid until the end of the affordability period. If the homebuyer complies with the affordability requirements (described below), then the loan is forgiven at the end of the affordability period.

The length of the affordability period for a HOME-assisted homebuyer unit under a recapture provision is determined by the amount of the direct HOME subsidy provided to the homebuyer as required by 24 CFR 92.254(a)(4) Periods of Affordability and reflected in the below table.

To be eligible, both the housing and potential homebuyer must meet program requirements set by HUD and HCCSD. The homebuyer must occupy the home as his/her principal residence throughout the affordability period. Recapture, per 24 CFR 92.254(a)(5)(ii), is triggered by any transfer of ownership, either voluntary or involuntary, during the established HOME period of affordability. These requirements are outlined in a written agreement between the homebuyer and Harris County and enforced via lien on the property. The written agreement is a HOME program requirement and includes all provision specified in the HOME regulation 24 CFR 92.504(c)(5)(i). The County recaptures the full amount of the direct HOME subsidy to the homebuyer when there is a voluntary or involuntary transfer of the property before the period of affordability is complete, provided that the net proceeds are greater than or equal to the full amount of the direct HOME subsidy to the homebuyer.

If the net proceeds from the sale of the home are not sufficient to recapture the full HOME subsidy loan amount, Harris County will collect only what is available from net proceeds. The amount recaptured will never exceed the net proceeds.

To ensure awareness of the recapture requirements involved in receiving a HOME subsidy loan through the Downpayment Assistance Program, Harris County staff will meet with all applicants and discuss the recapture provision, written agreement, Deed of Trust, and Note.

3. A description of the guidelines for resale or recapture that ensures the affordability of units acquired with HOME funds? See 24 CFR 92.254(a)(4) are as follows:

Recapture, per 24 CFR 92.254(a)(5)(ii), is triggered by any transfer of ownership, either voluntary or involuntary, during the established HOME period of affordability as outlined in the written agreement between the homebuyer and Harris County and enforced via lien on the property. The period of affordability is based upon the HOME subsidy to the homebuyer that enabled the homebuyer to purchase the unit. To ensure awareness of the recapture requirements involved in receiving a HOME subsidy loan through the Downpayment Assistance Program, Harris County staff will meet with all applicants and discuss the recapture provision, written agreement, Deed of Trust, and Note.

The County will enforce the provisions through an agreement with the homebuyer, a recorded Deed of Trust and Note. HCCSD conducts an annual mail-out to all homeowners still under the affordability

period. Each homeowner must confirm residency/primary occupancy of the home purchased with federal funds. Any homeowner found to no longer reside in the unit because they have transferred ownership during the period of affordability will be found to be noncompliant under the county's recapture provisions. In addition, any homeowner found to have rented the unit or vacated the unit during the period of affordability will be found to be noncompliant with the principal residency requirement. These instances will be referred to the Harris County Attorney's Office to pursue recapture in the case of a transfer of ownership or full repayment of HOME funds in the case of noncompliance with the principal residency requirement.

4. Plans for using HOME funds to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily housing that is rehabilitated with HOME funds along with a description of the refinancing guidelines required that will be used under 24 CFR 92.206(b), are as follows:

Harris County does not plan to utilize HOME funds to refinance existing debt secured by multifamily housing that is rehabilitated with HOME funds.

### **Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG)**

#### **Reference 91.220(l)(4)**

1. Include written standards for providing ESG assistance (may include as attachment)  
Harris County's ESG Written Standards are included as an attachment.
2. If the Continuum of Care has established centralized or coordinated assessment system that meets HUD requirements, describe that centralized or coordinated assessment system.

The Coordinated Access System (CAS) utilizes a uniform and standardized assessment process, uniform guidelines, priorities for accessing homeless assistance, and referral policies and procedures to provide coordinated and strengthened access to housing for families and individuals who are homeless or at risk of homelessness.

Several roles play a part in the operation of the Coordinated Access System. These roles include: the Coordinating Entity, which is responsible for the daily administration of the Coordinated Access System (The Coalition for the Homeless of Houston/Harris County serves as the Coordinating Entity); the Project Manager (staffed by the Coordinating Entity); Assessment Hubs, which are selected agency sites that provide prompt access to intake and assessments; Housing Assessors, who complete the Coordinated Access Housing Assessment using HMIS; Housing Navigators, who begin the process of securing an identified, available unit; Receiving Programs, which are all Permanent Supportive Housing, Rapid Re-Housing, and Transitional Housing programs and have responsibilities that include reporting vacancies to the Coordinating Entity and responding to referrals from the Coordinated Access System; and Authorized User Agencies, which are housing providers that choose to or are required to participate in the Coordinated Access System and have access to the Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) database.

Assessment Hubs are located at several agency sites. Hours for intake and client assessment operations are available on weekdays and weekends, but vary by hub location. In the future, a call center will also be established at one of the Assessment Hubs.

All households who meet the HUD definition of homeless and have annual incomes below 50% AMI

are the target population for the CAS. Applicant households will be ranked according to level of vulnerability (using vulnerability indices assessment tools) with the most vulnerable households being given top ranking. Also, three separate assessment tools (targeting youth, families, and singles) will be used to prioritize households for which Rapid Re-Housing is determined to be the best housing intervention. Depending on availability of units clients may be placed on a waitlist.

The pathway through the Coordinated Access System includes the following five steps:

1. Connecting to the Coordinated Access System/Initial Requests for Services
  2. Housing Assessment
  3. Housing Match
  4. Housing Referral
  5. Housing Navigation
3. Identify the process for making sub-awards and describe how the ESG allocation available to private nonprofit organizations (including community and faith-based organizations).

Harris County released a competitive request for proposals to solicit projects for available PY2020 ESG funding. Applicants were notified of available funding through email, web postings, public notices, and applicant conferences. Applicants then submitted an application to Harris County Purchasing that was logged, delivered to HCCSD and reviewed and evaluated by HCCSD staff. The PY2020 RFP for available ESG funding did not include homelessness prevention activities an eligible activity since the County planned to fund an in-house project administered by Social Services. The County coordinates with other local ESG funders within the CoC to provide continued support of a single, collaborative Rapid Re-housing System that is responsible for the administration of financial assistance and case management services. The County's rapid re-housing funds ultimately contribute to the community's Rapid Re-housing System which is continuing to expand and focus its resources in PY2020 to serve more youth and any residents made homeless by the continued impacts of Hurricane Harvey.

4. If the jurisdiction is unable to meet the homeless participation requirement in 24 CFR 576.405(a), the jurisdiction must specify its plan for reaching out to and consulting with homeless or formerly homeless individuals in considering policies and funding decisions regarding facilities and services funded under ESG.

Harris County ensures that every agency funded through ESG has a homeless or formerly homeless individual in a position to make recommendations on policies and services funded under ESG. In addition, Harris County has a policy committee that includes a formerly homeless individual. Harris County is also part of the CoC Steering Committee, which includes representation from the Consumer Advisory Council.

5. Describe performance standards for evaluating ESG.

In consultation with the Coalition for the Homeless of Houston/Harris County and other Emergency Solutions Grants grantees with the Continuum, Harris County has developed the following performance standards for Emergency Shelters, Homelessness Prevention, Rapid Re-Housing, and is developing standards for Street Outreach and HMIS activities.

For all standards, the initial data collection will be used to establish baseline data. The progress towards outcomes will later be used to establish the community standard for achieving those outcomes. Emergency Shelters performance will be based on the community outcomes below.

- Number and percentage of people exiting to a known place
- Number and percentage of people assisted in overcoming a specific barrier to obtaining housing
- Number and percent of people who increase income from entry to exit in emergency housing programs

For Homelessness Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing, the Continuum has decided to use the same performance standards to help measure the success of these interventions for the community. The County recognizes that clients who receive Rapid Re-Housing assistance will have a separate set of needs and likely higher barriers to maintaining permanent housing, so the outcome goals will be different, even though the measures for both programs are the same.

- Number and percentage of households exiting to each housing type or unknown place
- Number and percentage of people who increase income from entry to exit in emergency housing programs
- Number and percentage of households permanently housed 30 days after exiting the program
- Number and percentage of households who reappear in the shelter system

Harris County and other ESG grantees in the Continuum of Care have been and will continue working together to develop standards for performance, collaborative funding efforts and service delivery. As part of increasing coordination among providers, the CoC/The Way Home CoC Steering Committee is the primary decision making body for the CoC and all those that participate within its structure. Numerous workgroups focusing on the categories of the System, Chronically Homeless, Veterans, Families and Youth are actively meeting, planning/reviewing activities and providing feedback to the Steering Committee for implementation. Harris County participates in many workgroups including but not limited to the Coordinated Access Workgroup, ESG Funders Workgroup and PSH Pipeline Committee. The workgroups are facilitated by Coalition for the Homeless staff.

The CoC invites agencies that provide related services as it becomes aware of them. The group's planning and decision making role includes targeting clients, developing service standards and performance measurements, coordination of funding sources and training, in conjunction with the Consumer Advisory Council and input from mainstream providers. The group's Service Coordination role includes implementing coordinated assessments to direct clients to the most appropriate provider, linking people with subsidized permanent housing, and system and program level performance improvement through training and data analysis.